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BANQUET OF THE MERCHANTS ATTENDED BY OVER 200 GUESTS.

Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen Chief Speaker of the Evening on Abraham Lincoln and His Great Work.

THE SPEECH OF B. P. WALLACE

Was Crisp, to the Point and Acutely Applicable to Local Conditions. John Duggan for Annexation When New Haven Gets Its Improvements. Cites the Benefits of Greater Connellsville and a Third Class City. Other Speeches.

The second annual banquet of the Connellsville and New Haven Merchants' Association, commemorating the formation of the Association and the 99th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, was a decided and pleasant success. The guests present numbered 220. Each and all had a very pleasant and enjoyable evening.

Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen arrived at 8 o'clock and an informal reception was held. The serving of the banquet began at 8.45 o'clock. The guests of the Association enjoyed the palatable repast until almost 11.30, when the speech-making began. This continued until 12.30 o'clock, the speakers being Judge Van Swearingen, B. P. Wallace, P. May, W. N. Leche, John Duggan, Lin F. Ruth, Prof. W. S. Derfenbaugh and R. D. North.

A pleasant surprise during the evening was the presentation of a beautiful silver loving cup to B. P. Wallace, Chairman of the Banquet Committee. Harry Dunn, who presided as toastmaster, very fittingly presented the cup and sprang a surprise on Mr. Wallace. Mr. Dunn had the loving cup secreted somewhere under the table, and when he brought it forth not only surprised Mr. Wallace but the assemblage as well.

The hall was prettily decorated in the national colors, and several pictures of Abraham Lincoln were tastefully arranged about the hall. Four long tables ruuning the length of the hall and one short table running crosswise of the hall were placed for the serving of the banquet. Those who occupied seats at the short table were: Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Huston, Miss Emma Huston, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dunn, Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Deffenbaugh, P. May and daughter, Miss Bridget May, Burgess and Mrs. A. D. Soisson and J. S. Douglass of Uniontown.

Kiferle's orchestra played splendidly throughout the serving of the banquet and was loudly applauded following each selection. The music was one of the very pleasant features of the evening.

Owing to the time taken up in the serving of the anquet the speeches had to be hurried somewhat, and all the speakers talked briefly. The addresses were attentively listened to and the speakers were heartily applauded.

Judge Van Swearingen said in part:

"I can't tell you anything new nor anything that you have not already heard about Lincoln. The more you study him the greater he seems to be. One year more and it will be a century that one of the greatest characters the world has ever seen, or, I believe, ever will see, was born. When I say that, I say what I mean. His fame is unbounded and he is known as far as civilization extends. He was a great man and a great character.

"It seems that when we are looking to a great end and looking for great men that we must always go to another country. And yet the American people today are the greatest of any people on the face of the earth. I stand for our own people and our own institutions, as great and as good as there are on the face of God's green earth. Pennsylvania people equal any other people; Fayette county people are the equals of any in the Commonwealth, but Connellsville and New Haven and—Uniontown people are the best people.

"Abraham Lincoln was the greatest character in the history of the world, a remarkable character. He came from the common people, the middle class, and I do not believe that there was another man in the great Civil strife that could have done so well as he."

The speaker drew a graphic picture of Lincoln's boyhood and then continued: "Abraham Lincoln was a man who had a strong will and a conscience. What he wanted to do he did. He would listen to advice and knowledge, then very seldom heed it.

"Centering his mind on one great thing, how to save this Union, it did not make any difference who gave him advice, right or wrong, he did what bedeoved him, and it was invariably the right thing under the circumstances. It was always right with Lincoln, because he did it with the feeling that prompted it. Though he might have been criticised, both by friends and enemies, he did what he thought was right. Had there been any other man in the White House in the 60's, we would not be enjoying the liberties with which we are now blessed."

Judge Van Swearingen prefaced his remarks on Lincoln's kindness of heart by illustrating the pardoning of a soldier condemned by court martial to die, and the intercession of Lincoln's son for him. "Of the big heartedness of Lincoln there cannot be too much said, and his kindly traits are well known. I agree with Governor Hanley of Indiana that Lincoln was not an accident, that Lincoln's birth didn't happen by chance. It was the Almighty's plan that Lincoln should be brought into the world; that Lincoln should be President in the Civil strife; that it was the Almighty's plan that he died when he did. If he had not lived, if he had not been President in the 60's, there are none living and none have lived since that could have saved this Union. He gave all of his attention to save the Union and the abolishment of slavery."

The Louisiana slavery story viewed by Lincoln on the dock was very effectively told and then the speaker continued: "The more you study Lincoln, the more you learn; the more you learn of his character; the more you are impressed; and the more you know what he did, the greater he becomes. Generations will read his history and learn the great power, the great good of the man, and the things he did will, through the generations, become more and more impressed upon us. He placed his belief and dependence upon Almighty God. The President, throughout the war, was a firm believer in the religion of Jesus Christ. There was no counsel or worldly advisor to be considered. The counsel of Almighty God, he felt, was leading him on, and he believed that the Lord was against slavery, and that he was the instrument of God in wiping it out. No matter what man said or advised, he followed what, he believed, the will of God. And the sooner that young men and young women come to realize the fact that a consistent religious belief is nothing to be ashamed of, the better it will be for the institutions, the people, the home and their welfare.

"I thank you for your kindly attention and am glad that I had the opportunity to address such a large gathering under the auspices of the Merchants, and hope that I may be privileged to do so again."

Toastmaster Harry Dunn, in introducing B. P. Wallace, said that he was always ahead in every movement that had taken place, but that he had been caught off his guard this time. He then presented him with the loving cup.

Mr. Wallace was somewhat abashed by the token of esteem and said: "This has upset me entirely. I thank you one and all. Sometimes there are times when you feel that you don't get your share of appreciation but certainly I have not been forgotten. The Merchants Association is two years old tonight, and we have grown. We were only able to have gentlemen here the first year, but this year we were able to invite the ladies. It is not a selfish organization. We have taken part in all lines of civic duty. It is our duty to consult with that body of men, men of brains toward the welfare of the town. The purchase of the bridge was our greatest fear. After twenty-five years of effort it was left to this Association to free the bridge. There was $165,000 paid out of the County Treasury and as you will recall Judge Reppert said that it was paid without issuing bonds or seriously hampering the treasury, and yet there was not $1's worth of graft in it. Smith & Brownfield have failed to receive their share of the honors for this achievement and here and now I want it to be known that they were active and did the first work towards freeing the bridge.

"The great financial crisis of the year 1907 is passed, or I hope it is. You will remember when New York was in distress and the government was rushing money there. Then there was a man in Connellsville, who came to us to inspire confidence, and at a meeting 100 strong he did so and we told him that we would give our support, yet he asked for not a dollar. It was only confidence that he wanted. We gave that vote of confidence and Connellsville weathered the storm better than any town of its size in the country." (L. F. Ruth was the banker to whom Mr. Wallace referred in his remarks.)

Continuing, Mr. Wallace said: "The canalization of the Yough river is another important project. Although we have been turned down at Washington, we have an able representative in Mr. Cooper there who will see that the proposition is again taken up and

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NEEDS MORE TIME.

George Proctor Experiences Trouble in Raising Money in the East.

Attorney Kissinburgh of New York, who is looking after George Proctor's interests, telegraphed to Attorney A. E. Jones yesterday, asking that Deputy Sheriff S. B. Decker be given permission to overstay his leave with Proctor and take the latter to New York, where a settlement of the case might be arranged.

County Detective McBeth opened the telegram and answered Kissinburgh's message and also telegraphed to Attorney A. E. Jones who is now in Harrisburg attending a school convention, asking that he go to Philadelphia and settle the case. Proctor still needs to raise $3,000 to settle the case.

TO DEFEAT BILL.

Senator Tillman Introduces Sensational Petition Against the Aldrich Bill.

United Press Telegram.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13.—Alleging that the Aldrich financial bill was drawn solely in Wall street's interests and that it puts in the hands of three men, Morgan, Rockefeller and Ryan, the power to create panics and contract or expand the currency to the extent of a hundred million dollars or more at their pleasure, and to their personal profit and advantage, Alfred O. Crozier of Delaware, in a sensational petition to the Senate, denounds the bill's defect.

His petition, presented today by Senator Tillman, was accompanied by a few characteristic remarks of the South Carolinian. Crozier says the individual worth of had a dozen "powerful zamestors of Wall street" is enough to create a corner in gold and demand any price from those who must have the actual gold to pay the vast quantities of maturing bonds.

MALICIOUS MISCHIEF.

Frank Frishnellar Found Bolt Along Railroad Track and Tightened It to Rail.

Frank Frishnellar, son of Joseph Frishnellar, was given a hearing yesterday before Magistrate Frank Miller charged with placing a bolt upon the Pennsylvania railroad track at Moyer. The act was committed several weeks ago, but the arrest was only made yesterday by Officer John Dorsemple.

Young Frishnellar found a bolt along the track and laying it crosswise over the rail tightened it up. Several boy friends tried to persuade him not to place the bolt on the rail, but he would not stop. They then informed a track walker and the bolt was removed before it caused an accident. His father gave bail for his appearance at court.

Elmer Calhoun and Charles Younkin were also held for court by Justice Miller for throwing stones through semaphore lights.

BIG CINDER PILE

That Has Been Burning for Years Threatens B. & O. Property at Millvale.

United Press Telegram.

MILLVALE, Pa., Feb. 13.—A fire that has been burning for years is assuming serious and threatening proportions and grave fears are entertained for the B. & O. station here.

Only within the last few months the fire has been burning with renewed force in a cinder El about 250 feet wide, extending from the Allegheny river to the railroad tracks. On several occasions laborers have dug horse shoe trenches but they could not be used owing to the fact that the fire extended beyond them. The railroad tracks were moved a hundred feet some time ago on account of the fire and will have to be moved again.

MRS. D. M. LYSLE DEAD.

Was a Sister of Dr. W. J. Bailey of Connellsville.

Mrs. Florence Lysle, wife of Rev. D. M. Lysle, former pastor of the Presbyterian church at Mt. Pleasant and Leisenring No. 1, died Tuesday at a Philadelphia sanitarium. Consumption was the cause of death. Mrs. Lysle was a sister of Dr. W. J. Bailey of Connellsville and Dr. L. J. C. Bailey of Greensburg, John Underwood and Miss Myrtle Bailey of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, and Cameron V. Bailey, a student at McGill University at Montreal, Canada, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Bailey of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia.

The interment will be at New Glasgow on Saturday.

Mendicant Kills Himself.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Despondent because of ill health Leopold Blazacky, an inmate of the County Home at Woodville, strangled himself to death this morning.

IN MATHUES BEHALF.

His Counsel Argues That He Has Been Guilty of No Wrong Doing.

RESPONSIBILITY IS SHIFTED

To Huston, Claiming That Mathues Had Implicit Faith in Him—Shumaker's Counsel Absent and Case Adjourns to Monday.

United Press Telegram.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 13.—William S. Schaffer, counsel for former Treasurer Mathues, opened today's proceedings with an address in Mathues' behalf. He declared that his client had no guilty knowledge that the State was not getting the value of every dollar spent for the capital trimmings.

Counsel went into detail of Mathues' connection with the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings, which is supposed to have passed on the furnishings. It had been impossible, he argued, for Mathues to have passed upon every article or trimmings to see that Sanderson lived up to the contract. Schaffer tried to shift the responsibility to Huston, saying that Mathues relied implicitly on Huston's certifications. Schaffer insisted that the question for the jury was not whether the State paid too much for the trimmings but whether Mathues and the codefendants conspired to defraud.

Owing to the critical illness of the daughter of Charles H. Bergner, Shumaker's counsel, court adjourned until Monday.

SECURED PURSE

Containing $38 on Ice Under Yough Bridge by Means of Rope from Bridge.

After several fruitless attempts were made yesterday afternoon to recover a pocketbook from the river, W. G. Sterm of Philadelphia, who is registered at the Victoria Hotel, succeeded in recovering it by tying a rope to the center of the bridge, from which he let himself down on the ice. The purse was a short distance from the bridge and had created quite a lot of excitement. Earlier in the afternoon several men started across the river but failed in the attempt.

Over 100 persons witnessed Sterm recover the purse. On his return to the Victoria Hotel the purse was opened and was found to contain $38. An owner for the purse has not yet been found. Sterm has been here for the past several weeks and is engaged in constructing conveyors at Monarch.

ESCORTED TO SCHOOL.

David Hart Taken There this Morning by Chief Rottler and Must Go Regularly.

David Hart, son of Mrs. John Hart, went to school this morning, something that he has not been doing regularly and did not contemplate doing this morning. David has grown out of his mother's control and she was compelled to ask police assistance in an effort to get the lad to school. He has been in the habit of getting up about six o'clock in the morning and leaving for parts unknown.

This morning Officer Anderson was delegated to call for him at 6 o'clock. He was taken to the police station where he was held until 9 o'clock. Chief Rottler then took him by the arm and escorted him to the Catholic schools where he faithfully and solemnly promised that he would go regularly to school and obey his mother in the future. Unless he does so, he will be committed to a reform school.

Pennsylvanians to Wed.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Marriages licenses have been issued to Charles Blench, Johnstown, Pa., and Mabel Varner, South Fork, Pa.; George Pritts and Annie May, Somerset, Pa.; Charles Piffer and Sarah Kline, Greensburg, Pa., and John Uhlman and Annie Patterson, Glen Rekey, Pa.

Local Option Campaign.

UNIONTOWN, Feb. 13.—Rev. Charles Vanhise of Pittsburg will open the local option campaign in the Monongahela Valley next Sunday at Brilgeport by preaching in two churches there. From that time on he will travel over the district preaching local option.

Soldiers Sent to Alaska.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—President Roosevelt has decided to send Federal troops to Fairbanks, Alaska, on account of disorders growing out of the miners strike there.

WISCONSIN DEMOCRATS

Will Choose Delegates for Bryan to the National Convention.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 13.—The Democratic State Convention to name delegates at large to the Denver convention was called to order here shortly before noon today with a full attendance of delegates and alternates. It is a foregone conclusion that the delegates will be instructed for Bryan, and the only contest is over the personnel of the delegation.

E. C. Wall of Milwaukee, John Aylward of Madison, Daniel H. Grady of Portage, Congressman Charles Weisse of Sheboygan Falls and H. H. Manson, Chairman of the State Committee, are among those mentioned for the honor.

DALY CANCELLED.

Manager Robbins Receives Wire Company Will Not Appear at the Soisson This Evening.

Manager Fred Robbins received a telegram from New York last evening stating that Arnold Daly, who was to have appeared at the New Soisson Theatre this evening in "My Maude Rose," had cancelled. Consequently the house will be dark this evening. The wire was a big disappointment to Manager Robbins and many theatregoers who had secured seats for the attraction. A packed house would have greeted Daly. The sent money will be refunded at the box office.

In the message no explanation was given for cancelling the date. Daly's company was to have come here from New Jersey on its way west. It is probable that the company has secured an opening in one of the New York theaters for a long run and therefore cancelled the entire western trip.

ICE GOES OUT.

Believed That No Damage Will Result West of Connellsville From Its Breaking Up.

The ice on the Youghiogheny river began breaking up this morning about 1 o'clock and passed out early this morning. There was very little gorging, but a great deal of the ice on the sides of the river remained when that in the center gave way. The ice has been gradually going out all day and by night it is believed the river will be on ready cleared.

The ice farther up the mountain has not broken yet but is gradually giving away. It will pass off without damage to property west of Connellsville. The river is very low considering the quick thaw and the heavy snowfall in the mountains.

WORK FOR UNEMPLOYED

Believed That New York Will Appropriate Ten Million Dollars for Subways.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—(Special.)—The first step toward providing employment for New York's army of unemployed, exceeding 175,000, is expected to be taken today. It is believed the board of estimates will appropriate $10,000,000 to begin the work on new subways.

MRS. H. P. SNYDER ENTERTAINS

At Cards in Honor of Guest, Mrs. J. M. Borland.

Mrs. H. P. Snyder entertained at cards yesterday afternoon in honor of her guest, Mrs. J. M. Borland, of McKeesport. The favors were red hearts filled with bon bons, and the whole affair was carried out with Valentine effects.

The prizes were spangled gauze Empire fans and were won by Miss Eleanor Marshall, Miss Eleanor Singer, Miss Eleanor Hacks, Miss Edna Evans, Miss Catherine Frisbee and Miss Gertrude Markle.

MARRIED AT TARENTUM.

Paul D. Howard and Miss Anna Bils Married Last Evening.

Paul D. Howard, teller in the First National Bank in Masontown, and Miss Anna Bils, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bils of Old Frame, were married last evening at Tarentum at the home of Rev. and Mrs. LeRoy Lewellyn.

Only a few relatives witnessed the ceremony. Mr. Howard is a son of County Treasurer and Mrs. J. D. Howard.

West Newton Shoot.

WEST NEWTON, Pa., Feb. 13.—The West Newton Gun Club held a target shoot here yesterday afternoon and high run honors were carried off by Bolsing, with 46 targets out of a possible 50. Frind and Marsh tied for second honors with 42, and Shultz came third with 40. Shooters were present from Allegheny county.

Rain and Colder.

A light rain or snow, colder tonight, fair and colder tomorrow, is the forecast of the noon weather bulletin.

CONNELLSVILLE COKE PRODUCTION AND OUTPUT FOR THE YEAR 1907.

The Output Was a Million Tons Less Than That of 1906, But It Sold for More Money.

DIPHTHERIA AND FEVER.

Reported to State Board of Health From Connellsville Township.

One case of diphtheria and one case of typhoid fever was reported from Connellsville township to Health Officer Allen Hyatt yesterday. Harry Burke on B. & O. court, is the diphtheria patient and a young son of Wilson Cross is the typhoid fever patient.

There are no diphtheria or fever cases in the borough.

TO PROVIDE WORK.

Engineer J. B. Hogg Summoned to Harrisburg for Conference on Scottdale Proposition.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Feb. 13.—Borough Engineer J. B. Hogg was summoned to Harrisburg yesterday afternoon by the State Health Department on a conference this afternoon with the engineers of the department. Scottdale Council has a proposition to build a sewage system and they want to get to work on it as soon as possible in order to give as many unemployed men work as possible. Certain regulations have to be conformed to at the State Health Department and it is for the purpose of rushing these through that Engineer Hogg was called to Harrisburg.

Instead of letting the work to a contractor the borough proposed to do it.

SIX O'CLOCK DINNER

Followed by Five Hundred Given by Miss Dora Cooley Last Evening.

Handsomely appointed was the first of a series of 6 o'clock dinners given last evening by Miss Dora Cooley at the Arlington Hotel. Covers were laid for twelve and all the appointments were in keeping with the Valentine season. The place cards were miniature hearts. The dinner was followed by five hundred at the home of the hostess on West Apple street. The decorations were carried out in red, profusions of hearts being used throughout the various apartments.

Miss Cooley proved herself to be a very charming hostess. The second of the series will be this evening. The out of town guest present was Mrs. E. C. Holloway of Irvin.

B. & O. PAY DAY

Will be a Very Ordinary One and Checks Will Probably be Distributed Saturday.

Merchants are anticipating a heavy business Saturday, as it is still likely be Baltimore & Ohio paydays. Agent W. H. Towzey this morning said that he had no official information regarding pay day, but it would in all probability be on Saturday. The pay this month is a very ordinary one, as the men did not make very good time during the month of January. There will be, however, a fair amount of cash distributed to the men living in Connellsville and the greater part of it will go to the merchants.

Since February 1 the men have been making better time, and more have been employed so that the March pay should be much larger.

HAVE NO ALARM.

Scottdale in Bad Way and Is in Conference With the Gamewell Company.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Feb. 13. Scottdale is in a bad way for a fire alarm. The boiler at the sheet mill where the whistle was located has been blown out and there is no way now of turning in an alarm of fire. There is no other boiler in town suitable, and at present on which the department's whistle could be placed.

The Fire and Water Committee of Council are in conference today with representatives of the Gamewell company for the purpose of getting figures on putting in an alarm system. A temporary arrangement will likely be fitted up at once. A bell may be used.

Sold Colored Circ.

H. Mellermont was fined $200 this week in the Washington county court by Judge McIlvaine for selling colored circ to a number of customers.

19,029,058 TONS VALUED AT $55,184,268.

A Year That Promised to Break All Records As to Production, Output and Price Ended in a Sudden and Violent Slump, Caused by the Financial Crisis, and Was Accompanied by a Reduction in Wages As Well As Prices.

The Weekly Courier's annual coke trade review appears this week. There was some delay in getting the mass of statistics together, but the figures are official and accurate, the tonnage output being compiled from railroad weights. The report covers a full page of The Weekly Courier, but the following is a summary of it:

The following tabulated statement shows the total number of ovens at the close of each year, the annual output, average price and gross revenue of the region from 1880 to date:

Year.	Tot'l Ovens.	Tons Shipped.	Av'g Price.	Gross Revenue.
1880	7,211	2,295,016	$3	$3,948,643
1881	8,238	2,633,092	.68	4,301,578
1882	9,238	3,013,554	.67	4,173,889
1883	10,716	3,523,102	.67	4,649,758
1884	10,513	3,192,105	.63	3,907,078
1885	10,471	3,096,512	.62	3,777,334
1886	10,942	4,136,527	.66	5,701,986
1887	11,928	4,710,989	.79	7,437,669
1888	13,954	4,955,558	.19	5,884,081
1889	14,488	5,930,428	.31	7,974,863
1890	16,040	6,161,156	.84	12,567,970
1891	17,241	4,740,665	.87	8,003,164
1892	17,240	5,329,152	.99	11,598,407
1893	17,518	4,803,629	.46	7,111,031
1894	17,846	5,151,451	.06	5,454,434
1895	17,977	8,211,488	.123	10,140,658
1896	18,341	5,414,602	.90	10,282,043
1897	18,098	6,918,052	.65	11,409,835
1898	18,673	8,490,112	.65	13,115,171
1899	19,639	10,129,764	.90	20,259,528
1900	20,954	10,746,224	1.70	27,348,832
1901	21,577	12,699,919	.95	24,389,400
1902	20,434	14,138,740	1.37	33,508,714
1903	28,092	18,315,280	1.00	46,095,906
1904	29,149	12,437,468	.75	21,748,003
1905	30,812	17,856,529	1.28	40,446,149
1906	31,639	19,909,226	2.75	54,998,146
1907	35,000	19,029,058	2.90	55,184,268

But for the slump in business at the close of the year, the coke trade of 1907 would have gone out in a blaze of glory. As it was it held its own with all previous records. While production is short nearly a million tons as compared with that of 1906, prices averaged somewhat better and the value of the output estimated on the basis of the open market prices was somewhat greater. The figures in detail with those for the previous twenty-seven years are given above.

The Courier's weekly estimates of production aggregate 19,738,873 tons as against 19,029,058 tons shipped, indicating 708,815 tons of stock coke on the yards at the close of the year. The productions of the two regions as indicated by our weekly reports were as follows: Connellsville region, 13,469,295 tons; Lower Connellsville region, 6,268,558 tons. The shipments from the regions were: Connellsville, 12,868,039 tons; Lower Connellsville, 6,162,019 tons. These shipments were distributed as follows: To Pittsburg district, 6,127,094 tons; to points west of Pittsburg, 11,351,927 tons; to points east of the Connellsville region, 1,550,037 tons. The following table shows the distribution from each region:

Distribution.	Ct'ville	L. Ct'ville
Pittsburg	5,240,189	886,906
West	6,831,793	4,520,134
East	796,058	754,979
Totals	12,868,039	6,162,019

The following tabulated statement shows the shipments by months in cars and tons, with the daily average shipments in cars for each month, and gives an accurate indication of the trend of trade:

1907	Cars.	D. Av'g.	Tons.
January	62,246	2,305	1,698,475
February	59,272	2,470	1,625,788
March	61,890	2,384	1,761,342
April	62,585	2,407	1,708,590
May	66,929	2,449	1,787,811
June	61,518	2,461	1,677,488
July	63,577	2,355	1,741,612
August	66,262	2,417	1,787,190
September	59,637	2,385	1,650,207
October	64,656	2,396	1,807,507
November	61,412	1,593	1,767,796
December	28,676	910	877,657
Total	691,757	2,210	19,029,058

Prices were higher than they were during the previous year, and the average is slightly better. The concensus of advices from the operators, exclusive of subsidiary plants of the iron and steel interests, puts the average price of furnace coke for the year at $2.80 and of foundry coke at $3.40, with an average for all coke sold at $2.90. The monthly quotations were as follows, the range of contract and spot delivery:

Month	Furnace.	Foundry.
January	$3.25@3.85	$4.00@4.25
February	3.25@3.75	4.25@4.50
March	3.00@3.25	3.50@3.75
April	3.00@2.85	3.40@3.65
May	3.15@3.00	3.00@3.65
June	2.90@2.90	3.00@3.50
July	2.80@2.60	3.30@3.45
August	2.60@2.70	3.25@3.40
September	2.60@2.90	3.30@3.40
October	2.75@2.75	3.25@3.25
November	2.75@2.50	3.15@3.00
December	2.15@2.00	2.75@2.50

NOT ADMITTED WERE BY-LAWS.

And That Is Reason Given In Argument for a New Trial in Insurance Case.

LOWTHER CHANGED POSITION.

And by Reason of Taking Up a Hazardous Occupation, Attorney Argues That He Was Not Entitled to Benefits in Modern Woodmen Organization

UNIONTOWN PA —A short session of argument court was held this morning before Judges Umbel and Van Swearingen and the motion for a new trial was argued in the case of Mrs Mary Lowther against the Modern Woodmen of America Mrs Lowther was given a verdict in the case for $3 000 and $250 interest the amount of an insurance policy held by her husband When her husband joined the order he was located at Mt Pleasant but removed from there and engaged in mining, at which occupation he was killed

Attorney Wood N Cunningham argued the court erred in not allowing the defense to introduce the by laws of the order as evidence claiming that there were certain restrictions and conditions laid down by the laws relative to occupations and among those hazardous occupations were excluded By reason of the deceased having changed his occupation he forfeited his right to the benefits of the order

Attorney W J Sturgis argued that the verdict was what it should be

The cases of Mrs Molly Davidson of Connellsville against the Modern Woodmen and the Grand Fraternity of a similar character have not been argued

BANQUET OF THE MERCHANTS.

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gives proper consideration

Mr Wallace also paid a tribute to the good work performed by the local papers in boosting all projects of the Merchants Association

Prof Deffenbaugh made a pleasant address on the public school question He said in part

America's greatest institution is its schools To all appearance the children are doing nothing The schools for years could be closed down three months Vacation would make no change but should an industrial plant close it would mean a big and apparent difference to the municipality at once Probably that is why so little interest is taken in the schools

If the schools were closed for five years it is scarcely possible to tell what would happen Science and invention would be forgotten Look at the Dark Ages After the fall of Rome the world was 1000 years in darkness until finally the Crusades and the fall of Constantinople began to revive the great storehouses of knowledge and science were again opened and from them sprang the free institutions down until the time of the establishment of the public school

What years show the greatest progress and the greatest number of inventions? During the Nineteenth century there was more advancement than in any previous century The magic touch of education brought invention and knowledge and the public school was the foundation It has brought sunshine and better days of home and church a higher civilization and better people Better schools is the right of our citizens and better they are growing The public school of today makes the citizens of tomorrow The American people are devoted in spending millions of dollars and they are building better morals and a better social foundation by taking interest in the public schools

Patrick Mc was assigned to talk about the ladies as well as to them He said that he felt complimented by such an advertisement as the toastmaster heralded in introducing him but he felt that he should leave off where he began He paid a hearty testimonial to the beautiful women of Connellsville and New Haven assembled And he said I am glad that you can have some of the good things of the Association We are going to have these things often and we'll expect you all to be here But I do hope that the next time a man is picked to talk on this subject the chairman will give him plenty of time to do the subject justice

W N Leche was introduced as a man who could give some idea of the text buildings and how they should be secured but announced that there would be no closing up sale advertised He said the idea that he was with a Bar commission to the subject of bare fists He said Jack Sullivan was out of the fight and Muldoon and there was but 31 left in the ring but it wasn't a sell-in There is one bargain however and I will tell you about You can buy a Duke or a Lord if you've got the price

John Duggan was down to tell about something He said

I don't know why I was given this subject as a representative of New Haven unless because it is leap year and it is up to us to make the proposal because we are the weaker At present we are discussing the bonding of the town and I don't know any reason why if the voters of New Haven pass the bond issue and we get our improvements we should not want to annex with Connellsville There are advantages in High School and a greater better reason is that I class city which would give the combined city more power and an opportunity to compel safety gates at grade crossings I don't think New Haven would give up much giving up its name Connellsville is much better When even Uniontown people always came the cokes Connellsville when they name their compliments

But there is one thing I want to see when this annexation comes about and that is that I would want the street near the Pinnacle to be fifth street in New Haven called Colonel Crawford avenue in honor of that illustrious pioneer resident

Emil Rudolph made a few comments He stated that the Merchants had made excellent strides during the past year He said he congratulated the merchants of Connellsville upon their splendid and organized work he said but the city is good deal more to be accomplished The total resources of the banks in Connellsville have grown in five years over $1 000 000 It is actual money invested and is derived from any necessities but it has grown at the rate of a million dollars a year You need such a business man as Association and I say go on with your work

R D Nutt of the News spoke a few words on the Press He advocated the white press and said that it would be a great improvement and an important adjunct to Connellsville

Coffee was served and the Westmoreland Cats were in evidence

POLICE COURT.

Burgess Soisson Was Ill and President Porter Held It Yesterday Afternoon

Owing to illness Burgess Soisson was unable to hold the regular morning session of police court yesterday and it was not until 6 o'clock in the afternoon that George Porter President in Council held the delayed session

Frank Lendman and George Brown of Sick street were fined $5 for disorderly conduct and from inquiries in the Arcade Theatre Witnesses testified that the men refused to obey the rules of the house and that they answered back

John Dixon was also fined $5 for being disorderly and drunk at the Soisson Hotel He created a disturbance at Vanity and was arrested by Officer Tom Grimes

Jack McGann of Uniontown was fined $5 for drunkenness and Paul Koram was given a like fine for exposing liquor on He will also have to answer to a charge of carrying concealed weapons having had a pistol on his person John Clark of Hazelwood charged with drunkenness was discharged after paying tam for had a position at Republic if he could get there

John McGinley of Dunbar John Merriman of Brunswick Md and James Watson of Dunbar were sentenced 15 hours for drunkenness There were collected in fines during the month $17 50 all for drunkenness

WON PRIZE.

Mrs Barthold Rottler Successful in a Newspaper Contest and Has Two Chances

Mrs Barthold Rottler has been notified that she was successful in solving conundrums conducted by a German paper of Lincoln Nebraska but that another lady also correctly solved a complicated set of figures The prize for the successful contestant is a piano

In order to determine who shall have the piano another contest is to take place Tuesday with the two ladies The one solving this contest will receive a piano and the other will receive $100 in cash

DIED IN OREGON

Remains of Samuel Armstead Colored, Sent Here From Portland

The remains of Samuel Armstead colored arrived here yesterday afternoon from Portland Maine and were taken to Funeral Director J H Shearer's rooms on West Main street Interment being removed to the home of his mother Mrs Emma Armstead on Vanderbilt Lane and from the colored Baptist church at Dunbar this afternoon at 2 o'clock

Deceased was 17 years 4 months and 22 days old His death occurred last Saturday at Portland His mother from brother William Thomas John and Hugh and sisters Della Johnson of Vanderbilt and Mrs Carrie Jackson of Dunbar survive

Card of Thanks

Mr S C Goodwin and family desire to express their heartfelt thanks for the many kindnesses shown them during the illness and death of our husband and father S C Goodwin of Connellsville The family appreciate every act of sympathy shown them

Notifying Jurors

Sheriff Earl A Johns is notifying the March jurors to-day

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live Local News From All Parts of the Town.

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NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters From the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny

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COLORED LITERARY SOCIETY

Seeks Incorporation for Improvement of the Race at Uniontown

UNIONTOWN Feb 13 — Attorney George H Heilman on behalf of the colored people of Uniontown has filed a petition in the court of the Colored Literary Society of Uniontown

The petition states that the character is sought for the purpose of bonding together for the education and improvement of the race

THE ELKS' DANCE

Invitations Are Out for Affair on February 26th

Invitations have been issued for the second reception and dance of the Elks for the night of Wednesday evening February 26 in the New Haven Armory under the auspices of the committee composed of H Klinzing C E Kurtz Dr C W J Scott Harry Morton J M Davis and E J Stewart March will be dedicated to Lodge members

Special Deputy

[illegible] Special Deputy Sheriff S B Detler who accompanying Prisoner Proctor on his journey has so far succeeded in securing his release from jail

MRS AUGUST MILLER DEAD

Succumbed to Operation at the West Penn Hospital, Pittsburg

DUNBAR Feb 13—Mrs August Miller died this morning at 1 o'clock in the West Penn hospital Pittsburg where she was taken about a week ago for an operation No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral

Mrs Miller was 40 years old She was the daughter of John and Dora Fox and was born in Germany Her husband survives with a half brother August Fox and a half sister Mrs Louis Stahlhut both of Uniontown She was a member of the German Lutheran church of Connellsville

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PISO'S CURE
Children's Coughs
25 CTS
Can be Averted
COUGHS AND COLDS

What Is Itch Dirt?

It is the old Anglo Saxon name for Dandruff and it is good one It comes from a germ and you have each other and the germ microbe that is out and greed of dandruff is worthless products until and disease soon or later will reach the roots life of your hair and destroy its vitality

There will be half bald to-morrow if we rely on the wonderful results that people report from Parisian Sage Comes both after the hair fall or root Dandruff Parisian Sage cures Dandruff A A Clarke druggist sells it recommend it and guarantees it Only 50 cents a bottle and your money back if it fails to cure Dandruff Lady Hair Hair Chin of the Scalp

"The Pace That Kills"

The wear and tear of business in the every day cares and worries fall upon the nerves and bring disorder to the stomach and brain Nervousness causes loss of sleep and drains heavily on the vital forces Increase your nervous energy by using

BEECHAM'S PILLS

whenever the system is weakened by overwork or worry and needs to be toned and strengthened. Beecham's Pills equalize the circulation, carry off the waste materials help the stomach, and carry health to the nerve cells. They are quick to restore normal conditions enable the brain to recover its poise and unfailingly

Relieve Nerve Strain

Sold Everywhere In boxes 10c and 25c

SOOTHES AND HEALS.

Hyomei Medicates the Air You Breathe and Gives Quick Relief in Catarrhal Troubles

Because in this and use Hyomei at the first warning of catarrhal troubles Do not let the disease extend deeper the delicate membranes from being gradually going from the nose to the throat thence into the bronchial tubes and then downward until the lungs are reached and one is in danger of consumption

Hyomei will cure all curable forms of catarrh and relief is so quick and formula successful in curing this common certain cause disease that A A Clarke takes all the risk of a trial purchase and agrees absolutely to refund the money if any one uses Hyomei and does not get relief

There is no other treatment for catarrh that is like Hyomei or half as good Now everywhere this place never are such quick and sure relief and at such little cost Its medication is breathed through a pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit this reaching the seat of the disease of the air passages killing the germs that cause and spread the inflammation and consumption

Buy the outfit of Hyomei today and you will see and feel the effective breath has gone into the throat lungs from the nose and all symptoms of catarrh have come and gone The complete outfit costs $1 00 and A A Clarke finds it not to refund the money if it does not cure catarrh

This woman says that after months of suffering Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made her as well as ever.

Maude I Forgie of Leesburg, Va, writes to Mrs. Pinkham.

I want other suffering women to know what Lydia E Pinkham's Vegetable compound has done for me For months I suffered from feminine ills so that I thought I could not live I wrote you and after taking Lydia E Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and using the treatment you prescribed I felt like a new woman I am now strong and well as ever and thank you for the good you have done me"

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

For thirty years Lydia E Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health Address, Lynn, Mass.

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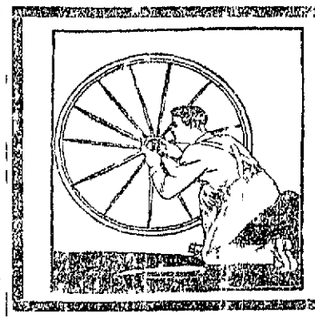
Karo The Best Spread for Bread
CORN SYRUP
More! More! More! comes the cry for Karo Children love and thrive upon it, everybody delights in its wholesome goodness. Nothing so good for all sorts of sweetening, from griddle cake to candy
10c, 25c and 50c in air-tight tins
CORN PRODUCTS MFG CO.



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characterizes our repair work as well as our wagons, buggies, all at reasonable prices. Special care and attention to horse clipping. Our establishment is equipped with the latest improved machinery for this work and we guarantee satisfaction.
The S. Crossland Carriage and Wagon Company,
NEW HAVEN, PA

You'll do better at Featherman & Sumberg's

The Store That Gives You Credit When You Need It.

Don't deny yourself of things you need because times are not quite up to the standard There are brighter days ahead for the working man There's no need to worry. We will be just as glad to open an account with you now as we ever were. We understand the situation and offer you all the advantages of our credit plan. Buy now and pay when you can.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

Bulletin.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY AT ATLANTIC CITY.

Next to Easter, Washington's Birthday is the most popular day during the Winter and Spring Season at Atlantic City and marks the opening of the Lenten Social Season. As Washington's Birthday falls on Saturday this year, it offers an exceptional opportunity for an over-Sunday outing at the greatest American resort

No resort in the world offers so many attractions for a winter or spring outing as Atlantic City. Its great hotels are gay with wealth and fashion of the land; its five-mile boardwalk encourages long walks in the bracing air filled with the delightful tang of the ocean. Amusement features of all kinds including one of the best golf courses in the United States, add to the zest of a stay

The Pennsylvania Railroad is the great highway to Atlantic City from every point. Its complete train service via the Delaware River Bridge affords all-rail communication from the North, South, and West, whilst its elaborate schedule of local trains offers patrons in Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey convenient and ample service.

Excursion tickets, with liberal return limits, may be obtained from practically every station on the Pennsylvania Railroad System Any agent will gladly furnish full information and a copy of the Winter Excursion Book containing comprehensive hotel lists and special information about all winter resorts.

FEBRUARY BARGAIN MONTH

SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARANCE

Nothing the Union Supply Company does gets more care and is done more profitably than the Semi Annual Clearance Sale The Semi Annual Clearance Sale has been going on since the first of January February Inventory Month and this month we are going to push the Clearance Sale strenuously Owing to the great depression in business all stocks are heavy We must reduce them Clearance Sales cut prices Not only remnants but all surplus broken lots and slow selling lines must go

Clearance Sale of Blankets, Comforts and Quilts.

Sold three all simply lots every blanket in the house It will pay someone from every household in the county to go to a Union Supply Company store and when they do go they will take notice of the way that cut by prices It is not only blankets and all kinds of bed clothing but beds and bedding are included The sale is for every day modern Every pick on every article is cut in many instances one half Such a clothing was never heard of in any store in Fayette or Westmoreland County

UNION SUPPLY COMPANY,
58 DEPARTMENT STORES
Located in Westmoreland, Fayette and Allegheny Counties.

On Valentine Day

when Cupid has been delivering his folds of love we might be seen showing her and see the remarkable shoe values we are daily giving our surprised shoe lovers

The fact is that when February came along and caught us with too many Winter shoes prices were bound to take a big drop shoes that we formerly $3 00 are now $ 00

Our stock of beautiful of value has been uniformly praised and consequently we can no doubt make your visit a pleasant one

There is a style and price for every man, woman and child in town So come along

JOHN IRWIN.

The News of Nearby Towns.

DUNBAR.

DUNBAR, Feb 13.—C D Jones Superintendent of the Pope Cement & Brick Company, was in Pittsburg on Monday transacting business for the company

Mr and Mrs Thomas Connell who have been guests of the former's parents Mr and Mrs. Patrick Connell of Speers Hill, left Monday for their home at Masontown

Mr. and Mrs J R Jones were guests of friends in Connellsville on Wednesday

Miss Mary Langan is the guest of friends in Grafton

Mrs W L Davis visited relatives in New Haven Tuesday afternoon

J C Allison of Washington D C was here this week looking after business matters

Geo H Swearingen was attending to business matters in Connellsville on Wednesday

Mrs. Charles Martin and daughter Miss Leon were guests of friends in Connellsville Wednesday

H. A. Raymond of Cleveland, O was here yesterday on business

Arch Sproul of Jeannette was in town Wednesday on business

C. A Smith of Uniontown was calling on friends here today

Miss M J McAndless and son Morris, who have been making their home with friends in Pittsburg will occupy their home on Church street again

H C Tucker of Uniontown was here Wednesday

Miss Minie Wilson of Pittsburg is the guest of Mr and Mrs Daniel Harper of Railroad street

David Williams was in Uniontown on business yesterday

Misses Ida McDowell and Edna Minerd were attending a six o'clock dinner given by Mr and Mrs P Bosby at Connellsville Tuesday evening

The two banks of town observed Lincoln's Birthday by closing

Miss Kathryn McCloy was the guest of her mother, Mrs James Huscead, in Uniontown, on Tuesday

Edward Crowe who has been the guest of friends at Uniontown returned home Wednesday evening

Misses Pearl Gladys and Maud Fisher and Miss Lulu Critchfield attended the play at the Soisson Theatre Tuesday night

B J McAleer of New Castle was here Wednesday on business

William Staughton of Pittsburg was in town Wednesday on business

J J Crowe of Connellsville was here Wednesday

The following unclaimed letters are advertised by Postmaster W C Smith Frank Anderson Charles Brooks Mike Doyle William Davis W C Henry James Fahey Frank Hodges, J D Juna and D Lodsolava

Mrs Charles Wilson was the guest of friends in Connellsville yesterday

Miss Jean Wishart was shopping in Connellsville Tuesday

Squire W H Cottom was in Connellsville on business yesterday

Michael Fitzgerald of the Dunbar Furnace Company was in Uniontown Wednesday

Mrs Frank Anderson was the guest of Connellsville friends Tuesday

Jeo H Swearingen the local merchant, was in Uniontown Wednesday

Margaret Millholland left today for McKeesport where she will visit her brother W. C Soles, for several months

Mr and Mrs William Brant were host and hostess at a pretty appointed party in honor of their daughter Dorothy's thirteenth birthday Tuesday evening The time was spent in playing games and other amusements until a late hour when a most delicious luncheon was served

Dr and Mrs Brown Colley are the guests of friends in Uniontown

C A Wright was in Connellsville Wednesday afternoon attending a meeting of the Bowling League

Mrs Luther Newcomer was shopping in Connellsville yesterday afternoon

NORMALVILLE.

NORMALVILLE Feb 12.—Mrs D W Shupe, of Scottdale has returned home after visiting friends in Normalville for a few days

Miss Tedi Slack was shopping in Connellsville Saturday

Mrs W H Brooks is visiting friends in Everson and Scottdale

The revival meeting which had been in progress in the Methodist Church at this place closed Saturday night with a total of 70 conversions

Mrs Mary Chance and son John of Ohio were the guests of friend the past week

Mrs Colledge and children are visiting relatives in Greensburg

Mrs William McLaughlin of Iverson returned home after visiting her mother Mrs W H Brooks a few days

Dr and Mrs Pribble were Connellsville callers Saturday

Communion services were held at both churches Sunday morning

Mr Switzer was a business caller in Connellsville Saturday

Miss Tacie Brooks teacher at Normalville school No 1, is confined to her home with the grip

The teachers of Springfield township will hold an Institute at the Critchfield school house Saturday of this week afternoon and evening An interesting program has been prepared

The people are taking advantage of the fine sleighing

Charles Axtell of Scottdale had business in our village yesterday

Richard King was a Connellsville visitor yesterday

Farms and houses to rent are in great demand in this neighborhood Every day people are here looking for somewhere to move Work seems to be plentiful and everybody is busy

Wesley Shelin our village blacksmith, is back at work again after a week's wrestle with the grip

Farmers are making good use of the snow by hauling lime rock etc It is estimated that not less than 1000 perches have been hauled from Rich Hill into this township this winter

George W Switzer has never let the coal company's farm to notify sword by Isaac Pribble Mr Switzer has been a conductor on the P & O railroad but has concluded to take up farming

James N Youmkin is the proud father of a 15 pound baby boy that came to his home last Wednesday night Jim I'm working now

Times Willard Brakebill is stopping with friends in Connellsville

John Kern of Jeannette is visiting his father William Kern of our town He is suffering with a broken shoulder the result of falling off a car

FOR OUR READERS.

Many people are offering pills and being persuaded to try other things using the following, 2 drops Carbolic Acid 1 dram Zocin 1/2 Zinc Ointment mixed and applied night and morning This is indeed an old fashioned remedy and you can own a sure Lustoid is the prescription of an old German physician and has never been published before

MEYERSDALE.

MEYERSDALE Feb 12.—A sleighing party composed of nearly a score of our young folks spent last evening at the hospitable home of Mr and Mrs Chauncey Bowman at Loyston Hollow a mile south of this place An enjoyable evening was spent and Mr Bowman and his good wife proved themselves excellent entertainers

Mrs W T McMillan and Mrs A F Smith last evening entertained a lot of their friends at the residence of the latter on Meyers avenue in pinochle Refreshments of a delicious character were served and the events of the evening were long to be loved by all who were present W H Dill won the gentleman's first prize and Miss Margaret Jacobs carried off the honor for the ladies G L Bishop won the booby prize

Six months ago when William H Arnold at his home on Mr and Mrs Wm W Steel the proud parents received the news of their arrival to his brother in Bedford riding in the mail sleigh that it was up to him to secure for the youngsters a pair of copper toed red-top boots an article of footwear that has long since gone out of date Yesterday Bedford City Express to Mr Silver a pair of the real article that lives only in memory with the statement that in order to cure the same the donor was compelled to visit Bedford county, and that the boots were secured in a backwoods store and that the old merchant from whom he had secured them had had them in stock for more than 40 years They were covered with a thick layer of mould but when cleaned and greased presented a nearly new appearance When they unsheathed their pedes properly they would admit when they and his playmates will be in the days gone by turn green with envy

Attorney C L Stayer of the law firm of Baker & Stayer of Somerset was transacting legal business at this place today

There will be no meeting of the W C T U next Tuesday evening on account of one of the series of the T M C course being scheduled for the same evening

Miss Lillie Graves who had been spending the past several months with her brother and sister-in-law Mr and Mrs J M Graves of Pittsburgh and other friends and relatives in Garrett county Maryland departed for her home in West Milton O today

Mrs Bingham who some time ago sustained considerable injuries by a fall on the ice from the weather comes up from Garrett where he resides yesterday afternoon and announces that there is not any snow on the mountain of the winter He stated that it would not stay for any considerable length of time but that it would soon melt and cause the most destructive floods in the history of the country

Hiatt Musser and William Coughenour composing the firm of Musser & Coughenour contractors and builders are closing up the affairs of their business and during next month will leave for California to invest in real estate with the view of settling there Others who will in all probability leave at the same time are John S Cook J Irvin Beal Jacob C Dossey and P B Swartz

Samuel Bashbirter a well known cattle dealer came down from Connellsville Md this morning and spent the day on business and with friends

John D Anthony contractor for R & O railroad at Connellsville and Mr Anthony of Pittsburg and Mrs Anthony of Connellsville were guests of their mother Mrs J E Anthony of North street

Rev Paul R McCauley pastor of the Lutheran church Altoona was the guest of his parents of R A Church Monday and preached at the Zion Lutheran Church on Broadway

Mr and Mrs Frank Way of near Somerset came over to this place this morning and spent the day in visiting at the latter parents Mr and Mrs Henry Zhon of North street

Elder Silas D Foxer who has been missing at the German Baptist Church for some time this evening he is home at Bills this county having officiated here at the funeral of Abraham Shoemaker yesterday

ROCKWOOD

ROCKWOOD Feb 13.—A prominent and painful affection has caused Mr W S Youmkin of Black Rock township suffering and at this time threatens to keep him from his work Some time ago Mrs Youmkin had been badly swollen the side spreading to her mouth and now is distributed over her body The physicians claim that it is blood poison and have hopes for his recovery On Tuesday Mr Wilson of Somerset was called and was going to see him but upon hearing he was found of a contagious character and poisoning having got in a boil on the arm The swelling of the arm and the arm The swelling of the arm and the arm in the middle finger of the left hand where there was no apparent outward wound of any kind

Captain Wm M Schrock of Somerset was here on the Civil War and candidate for the Republican nomination for County Commissioner was here yesterday circulating among voters

Ralph W J Moore Esq of Connellsville Moore of New Lexington and still the present public improvement of the Westinghouse electric works of Wilkinsburg spent Sunday in Meyersdale for a few days visit with his brother Clarence

The Auditors of whom W H H Berkey of this place is one have finished auditing the account of the county for the year 1907 in less than six weeks which shows that they are rapid calculators

Quite a large number of the residents of Pittsburg of Lockwood went to Confluence last night and attended the meeting of the local lodge there and were sworn by third degree work put on by the Confluence team

Yesterday Lincoln's birthday was observed by every one in Idaho in our town In the First National Bank Robert Critchfield of Garrett a Rockwood lad but now a resident of Johnstown and a relative employed by the Carbon Steel Company has had a position for a position in banking in the Somerset County branch and on Monday went to Connellsville to be in charge

Rev W H Hartsell has left on his trip to Oregon

Mrs Ada Pritchard of Pittsburg is visiting her sister Mrs Charles Hay

Mrs Bolt of Garrett is visiting friends in Garrett Wednesday

Mrs Bolt of Garrett is visiting relatives here today

St Ward Christner of Pittsburg was a business caller here Wednesday afternoon

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Mrs Wm Jordan of Uniontown was a shopper here Wednesday

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BEAR RUN.

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W H Stull was a business caller at Connellsville Tuesday

Earl Dissinger is spending the winter in Connellsville

Mrs W C Johns entertained Mrs William Hay visitor the latter's mother, Mrs Linda Hay of Chestnut

Jesse Stark of Connellsville was here on business Thursday

Andrew Paul of Mill Run was visiting friends and relatives here Tuesday

Jesse Stark of Connellsville has purchased the store room of Albert Wood and removed it to Colonial

The Masonic County Club is picking up fast

Calvin Price who has been laid up with pneumonia for about six weeks is now able to be at work again

Samuel Davis was calling on Connellsville friends Wednesday

J G Hawkins and Joe Rowe were business callers at Mill Run Saturday

Mrs W H Stull still on the sick list

Adam Older child is have all recovered from the mumps

Miss Cortha Connellstein who has been very low with pneumonia, is now improving slowly

Mrs John J Stull still on the sick list

HOWS THIS?

We offer one Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure

F J CHENEY & CO Toledo O

We the undersigned have known F J Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm

WALDING KINNAN & MARVIN Wholesale Druggists Toledo O

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system Testimonials sent free Price 75 cents per bottle Sold by all druggists

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation

Have you tried our Saints offer

SOMERSET.

SOMERSET Feb 12.—Today Washington's birthday was observed by the banks and various business houses closing their doors

Mangus W H Kimmel the tinsmith took a new hand at machine goodies Dorkhow the well known tinsmith left the will apply in Somerset February 24 27 no 26

R S Stull has received a number of new lines of merchandise for his store from Philadelphia and Berlin The latest in Berlin is a wheel for supply in water at a very cheap quality A representative of the courier was recently in the Stull and saw the article in question and learned that the claims in behalf of it were well made

According to the report of the County Auditors W H H Berkey of Berlin was the successful bidder for furnishing town clip and Jacob S Miller of Lincoln the auditorship recently constructed by contract up to the time $ 215 75

W W Young, of Somerset has completed the necessary preliminaries of his business with the Standard Oil company for the erection of a number of derricks Work will be begun on the following tracts which will be built immediately Frances Philadelphia contract to work his work in charge will commence operations as soon as the ground thaw Stoneface will be built as follows In Stonycreek township John Walter Beal Cox Hickory Grove township the Long farm Jenner Township the Summit township Meyersdale Borough Hunt Hunt and Old Homestead in Summit township Somerset Borough Hunt Hunt Coughenour Geyer Beal Swartzwelder 7 and 8 in Summit township Somerset Borough the following tracts will be operated by the firm will be operated by the Summit township Somerset Borough Hunt Hunt Sylvanus and Samuel Hunt

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THURSDAY EVE'G., FEB. 13, 1908.

THE COKE TRADE A BUSINESS BAROMETER.

The magnitude of the Connellsville coke trade is not realized until we contemplate its annual volume as expressed in cold figures. The record of last year, with its bad ending which cut down the aggregate output nearly two million tons, was 19,000,000 tons of coke valued at $55,000,000.

Yesterday was Lincoln's birthday. We heard much last night about his greatness, a greatness which might have remained undiscovered had he not been called from the fields of Illinois to the White House to command the Titanic struggle against Secession and National Destruction; yet the population of this country at that time was less than 32,000,000. The coke product of the Connellsville regions last year would if apportioned among them give each man, woman and child approximately two-thirds of a ton valued at nearly two dollars. In 1860 the coke trade was in its infancy. It was confined to a handful of ovens clustered about Dawson and Broad Ford. It was practically nothing. The Connellsville coke trade has more than kept pace with the growth of the nation. The population in 1910 will probably have trebled since 1860, while the coke trade has increased a thousand-fold.

The Connellsville coke regions have seen a steadily increasing capacity. The number of ovens has been constantly augmented, and with few exceptions each year's output has been greater than the other. The Connellsville coke trade is an accurate index of the nation's industrial prosperity. Connellsville coke is the best furnace and foundry fuel in the country and the world, not only because of its chemical, but also by reason of the superior excellence of its physical structure. A brisk demand means prosperity, not only here in the region, but all over the country. Idle ovens here means idle mills elsewhere. The smoke of our coke plants may sometimes add to our personal discomfort but it spells happiness to firesides far and wide. A clear atmosphere in the Connellsville coke region means clouds of despair in the homes of the millions who compose the industrial army.

The depression in the coke trade and in business conditions generally has been serious, but the coke trade statistics we present bring the happy promise of improved and improving conditions. The shipments had been about 2,400 cars per day until the last two months in the year. In November they fell to less than 1,600, a slump of one-third. In December, they averaged but 910 cars or but 37 per cent. of the volume of business that marked the balance of the year. The shipments of the week ending last Saturday were 6,229 cars, an average of 1,038 cars per day, being 43 per cent. of the average of record times. This indicates a 6 per cent. betterment in business conditions, a betterment which it may be stated has taken place within a few weeks and promises to continue at a steady and satisfactory pace.

Our bumps have been heavy, but we are again upon our feet a little winded but not knocked out.

THE MERCHANTS' LINCOLN DAY DINNER.

The Merchants' Association Lincoln Day dinner was an innovation in that it included the ladies as guests, but the innovation at once established itself as a fixed custom, and it is safe to say that the ladies will hereafter share in at least two annual meetings of the association, namely, the annual dinner and the annual picnic. The oratory was a little late in being served, but it went on flowingly after Toastmaster Harry Duan turned the spigot.

Judge Van Swearingen paid an eloquent tribute to the Great Lincoln and the Greater Connellsville, but he didn't forget that he was a citizen of Uniontown. If the Uniontown papers were as cordial and polite and honest as Judge Van Swearingen, all would be forgiven.

"Barney" Wallace stumbled over the loving cup, but he recovered his grace of speech and manner when he was permitted to say nice things about other people, including the press.

John Duggan is one New Haven man who is willing to exchange the name of his postoffice to Connellsville, because Connellsville is known all over the county. It gave a name to our incomparable coke which finds its way to the uttermost parts of the land and the coke in its turn reciprocates by advertising Connellsville.

Professor Benedum moved that progress and the public schools go hand in hand, and it might be added, the public schools should never and to keep step.

Pat Max was coy concerning the ladies, but before he sat down it was evident that he had kissed the "plain navy stone."

Editor North talked about the water works when called upon to respond to the toast, "The Press." His remarks were necessarily temperate.

W. N. Leche was too modest. He told of all the big bargains but his own.

"Lia" Ruth talked about the growth of the Connellsville banks, and his figures ran into millions just like those of the coke trade.

The ladies didn't say a word, but they all made up for it when they got home.

The coke trade figures we present today are interesting to every business man as well as to every manufacturer interested in the coke or iron trade. They have been gathered at the expense of much time and trouble and cost. We hog to suggest to our esteemed contemporaries who may find them worthy of reproduction that they are also worthy of a credit line.

The Youghiogheny river is "all broke up."

Scottdale cannot find steam enough in her manufactories to blow the fine whistle. Let us hope that this condition will be of short duration and that the MPI Town will soon smoke up and steam up.

Putting things on the ice to preserve them is a common practise, but we have never before heard of the sale being applied to pocketbooks.

Scottdale proposes to help herself to fade out the trade stifled depression. That is mighty nice, but we MEAN her policy of waiting for something to turn up. The wise man never waits. He goes out and turns something up. That's what Scottdale proposes to do, it goes to all.

This is the particular season when the bad sidewalk betrays itself. There are some of them in the neighborhood that have exposed themselves in a very disagreeable product.

Scottdale is independent in politics as well as industrial policy.

The people who turn their backs on the towns from always want to ride free on the City of Progress and they really do on account of the fare that they might to be charged double fare.

Spirit of Happiness—Where that Royal Raiment is, is no place for me. Since then assassination of King Carlos and his elder son there is a great spirit of uneasiness in the courts of Europe.—News Item

Classified Ads One Cent a Word.

Wanted.

WANTED—TO WORK ON FARM by skates or month. Address JAMES MINCRIP, Broad Ford P. O. feb13d

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Apply NEW YORK RACKET STORE, West Main street. Connellsville. feb13d

WANTED—APPLICANTS TO FILL vacancies in training school at Lot Memorial Hospital. This is a special hospital. Thorough course. Apply to SUPERINTENDENT, MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, Mt. Pleasant, Pa. feb10d

For Rent.

FOR RENT—TWO FURNISHED rooms for from 18 to 24 boys. Keep in. 328 E. APPLE ST. feb13d

FOR RENT—TWO OFFICE ROOMS, hot and cold water, electric light and gas, second floor, fine dry office. Inquire on the premises. HOWARD BUILDING, 128½ Main street. feb11tfd

FOR RENT—A FLAT, TWO ROOMS, bath, private hall, electric light, gas, hot and cold water. Third floor. Inquire on the premises. HOWARD BUILDING, 128½ Main street. feb11tfd

For Sale.

FOR SALE—CUSTOM COAL. W. B. KELL, Tri State phone. feb11d

FOR SALE—GOOD COAL AND prompt delivery. KARL R. SPRINGER, Tri-State 590-2. Terms C. O. D. dec'ltfd

Lost.

LOST—MILLIONAIRES WEAR NO better clothes than those made here. DAVID COHEN, Tailor. 9

Charter Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an application will be filed in the said Court on Tuesday, the 24th day of February, 1908, at 10 o'clock A. M., under the Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations, approved April 29, 1874, and its supplements, by P. A. Mickey, William J. Herbert and John P. Torrence, for the charter of a corporation to be called FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION NO. 1 of New Haven, Pa., the character and object of which is to provide relief for disabled firemen and their widows and orphans, and for these purposes to have, to possess and to enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the said Act, and its supplements. S. R. GOLDSMITH, Solicitor. jan25,26,feb1,3d

School Bonds for Sale.

THE VANDERBILT BOROUGH School District County of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania, offers for sale ten (10) Five Hundred Dollar Five Per Cent. Bonds. Interest payable semi-annually on the 1st days of March and September of each year, both principal and interest payable at the First National Bank of Vanderbilt, in the Borough of Vanderbilt, County of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania. The said Bonds No. 1 mature on the second day of September, 1909, on the 1911, one in 1912, one in 1913, one in 1914, one in 1915, one in 1916, one in 1917, one in 1918, one in 1919 and one in 1920. Bids for these bonds will be received until 12 o'clock M. on the 20th day of February, 1908. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check of one hundred ($100.00) dollars, to accompany each bid. Look to their respective address to R. ARTHUR, Secretary, Vanderbilt, Fayette County, Pa. feb13tfd 20feb4w

For Register and Recorder

Jas. C. Binns

Fayette City, Pa.

Subject to the decision of the Republican primaries Saturday, April 11, 1908.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER.

Charles O. Schroyer

DAWSON, PA.

Your Vote and Influence Solicited.

SUPPOSE

You call in and look over a selection of Ladies' $4 Fine Shoes made by Armstrong. Even if you are not interested in buying at present, it may at some future time be of benefit to you to know how nice a shoe you can get at $4. You will find all the different styles in the newest toe shapes as well as the more conservative or staple shape for women who want nice footwear, but do not follow the newest styles so closely. The appearance of the foot is always greatly improved by having a correct fitting shoe, and you will find the Armstrong Shoe to excel in its fitting qualities. For its service, ask any woman who has worn the shoe—that will be sufficient.

Norris & Hoopers'

104 W. Main Street

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Western Pennsylvania—Rain Thursday. Friday, partly cloudy and colder, probably local rains or snows.

A Bargain Friday

FRIDAY, FEB. 14th.

Going to make it worth your while to visit this store on this Friday. When you look over the list of bargains prepared for that day think you'll decide that you can not afford to stay away. We intend to get rid of these goods and somebody is going to buy them at these prices. If you want your share you'll have to be here at 8:30 Friday morning, February 14.

Coats at $5.00

Ladies' and Misses' Coats that sold for from $10 up to $18 and $20. Want to get rid of every one of these and $5.00 will do it.

Coats at $2.00

Children's and Misses' Coats that sold for from $5 up to $8 and $10, mostly sizes 6, 8 and 10 years.

Ladies' Suits at $5.00

About one dozen of these, nearly all black suits, sizes 36 to 40, suits that sold for from $20 to $25. Want the room for the new spring suits that are coming in now.

Furs at $5.00

Scarfs that sold for from $10 to $15. All on one table for $5. Plenty of fur weather yet and this price means your opportunity.

Furs at $2.00

Scarfs that sold for $5 to $8. About a dozen pieces to sell at this price and the lot ought to go in about 15 minutes after the store doors are open.

Children's Tam-o-shanters at 25 Cents

About 50 of these that sold for 75c to $1.50, bear skin and astrachan, colors, gray, white, blue and brown. These surely are worth buying at this price of 25c.

Expect a crowd here on Friday morning and expect these prices to get rid of everything offered. This is one store that can not afford to carry goods over from one season to another. Intend to show you new goods this spring and plenty of them, just the same as any other season.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

LECHE'S

February Sale

Begins Friday, 14th and Continues to Monday Evening, February 24th

February as a rule is a quiet business month, but this year we intend breaking the rule. This sale is put forth to make it a busy, hustling month—to make the crowds doubly large. The values we offer during this "Ten Day Sale," will tempt the most grudging pocketbook. Prices quoted will do the trick beyond all doubt.

SALE—MUSLIN UNDERGARMENTS.

Wonderfully Pretty Assortment.

We are delighted with our new Spring showing of Muslin Undergarments and know you will be, too. The styles, the quality and workmanship is all that one could wish. We contracted months before the slump in business came for this mammoth assortment equal to old boom requirements, but now, fearing the lot too much, will place all, (no reserve) on sale at prices that will make it more quickly. Note the lowness of prices:

CORSET COVERS.

Ladies' muslin, long cloth and nainsook Corset Covers, plain, tight-fitting 19c and 15c

Lace and Embroidered Trimmed Corset Covers.

perfect fitting at the following small prices:

25c Corset Cover, at 21c
29c Corset Covers at 24c
50c Corset Covers at 39c
75c and 65c Corset Covers at 49c
$1.25 Corset Covers at 98c

LADIES' DRAWERS.

Made of half bleached cambric, with plain hem ruffle, open style. An excellent value; regular price 25c 19c

Ladies' Drawers of good bleached cambric, hemstitched and tucks, 29c value, sale price 24c

Hemstitched and embroidery trimmed Drawers, 50c value, sale price 42c

Drawers of cambric, with hemstitched ruffles, made to fit smooth and perfect at waist, value 65c, sale price 49c

Drawers of nainsook and long cloth, nicely trimmed, $1.00 value, sale price 89c

Drawers of fine nainsook and long cloth, trimmed with embroidery and ribbon, an excellent garment at $1.25, sale price $1.00

A POINT TO BE CONSIDERED.

You will find our line of the Muslin Underwear to be first-class in quality and workmanship—made, not thrown together. The drawers and skirts are made to fit perfectly smooth around waist and hips, no bulky folds, but made so a dress skirt will set right and hang right.

GOWNS.

We will make no attempt to sell 50c Gowns on this sale, but when we say a 75c Gown for 59c we mean all that the price implies. 75c Gowns, sale price 59c

LADIES' MUSLIN SKIRTS

Made of the best cambric, trimmed with lace, embroidery and hemstitched tucks, knife pleating, running up and down on fine swiss eyelet embroidery. Don't miss seeing them whether you buy or not.

75c Skirts at 49c
$1.25 Skirts at $1.00
$1.58 Skirts at $1.49
$1.75 Skirts at $1.58
$2.00 Skirts at $1.75
$2.25 Skirts at $1.98
$2.58 Skirts at $2.25
$3.00 Skirts at $2.65
$3.25 Skirts at $2.98
$3.50 Skirts at $3.25

GOWNS—ALL STYLES.

High neck, low neck, V neck and square neck, lace trimmed, embroidery trimmed and ribbon trimmed—up-to-the-hour in every detail, $1 gowns at 90c

$1.25 Gowns at $1.10
$1.50 Gowns at $1.29
$1.75 Gowns at $1.58
$2.00 Gowns at $1.75
$2.25 Gowns at $1.98
$2.75 Gowns at $2.50
$3.00 Gowns at $2.75

CHEMISE

of cambric, nainsook and long cloth, styles and finish to suit every taste; prices to suit every purse.

50c Chemise go at 49c
65c Chemise go at 55c
$1.00 Chemise go at 85c
$1.25 Chemise go at 98c
$1.50 Chemise go at $1.25

DOMESTICS PRICED LOWER THAN YOU'VE HOPED FOR.

This is your immediate chance to purchase Dress Ginghams, Percales, Apron Ginghams, Muslins, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Wool Flannels, Calico, Cotton and Woolen Blankets, and Comforts, and Spreads at figures lower than we've quoted in a long, long time.

COMFORTS

At Two Small Prices.

Well filled and well made Comforts, all nice desirable patterns at these two prices:

$1.25 Comforts at 98c
$2.00 Comforts at $1.68

COTTON BLANKETS

Figured Extremely Low.

50c Cotton Blankets 39c
58c Cotton Blankets 53c
$1.25 Cotton Blankets $1.10
$1.10 Cotton Blankets 98c
$1.18 Cotton Blankets $1.25

WOOL BLANKETS

Much Less During this Sale.

Full size 10-4, 11-4 and 12-4 Blankets, pure wool both warp and filling at the following reduced prices:

$3.50 Wool Blankets at $2.88
$4.50 Wool Blankets at $3.88
$5.50 Wool Blankets at $4.88
$7.00 Wool Blankets at $6.28
$7.50 Wool Blankets at $6.88

WHITE BED SPREADS

Interestingly Priced.

$1.25 Spreads 95c
$1.50 Spreads $1.25
$1.75 Spreads $1.35
$2.00 Spreads $1.50
$2.25 Spreads $1.69
$2.50 Spreads $1.88
$1.25 Fringed Spreads 98c
$1.50 Fringed Spreads $1.10
$1.50 Fringed Spreads $1.25
$1.75 Fringed Spreads $1.50
$2.25 Fringed Spreads $1.98

An Unusual Sale of BLEACHED SHEETS and PILLOW CASES

Hemstitched Mohawk Sheets, 81x90, value $1.05, sale price 89c

Bleached Sheets, 81x90, value 90c, sale price 75c

Bleached Sheets, 81x90, value 75c, sale price 69c

Bleached Sheets, 81x90, value 65c, sale price 58c

BLEACHED PILLOW CASES

Sizes 42x36 and 45x36, regular 10c and 12½c grade, sale price 8c

Sizes 42x36 and 45x36, regular 15c quality, sale price 12c

COTTON BATTING.

Specially priced for this ten days' sale.

6½ Batting at 5½c
8½c Batting at 7½c
10c Batting at 8c
13½c Batting at 11c

NEW 36-INCH PERCALES 14c

We include at this reduced price our entire assortment of new percales, beautiful, clean patterns, sale price 14c

CALICO 1c LESS.

All American prints, one cent under regular marked price, during this sale only.

LANCASTER GINGHAMS 7½c

Lancaster Apron Ginghams are known and recognized as the best and sell regularly at 10c, during this sale our price will be 7½c

2,000 YARDS OUTING FLANNEL AT 3½c

This is a rare offer—2,000 yards of good quality Outing Flannel in a choice assortment of light patterns, cheap at 5c, sale price 3½c

WAISTINGS 7½c

The Flannel Waistings for this sale only 7½c

COUNTRY FLANNEL

Priced 20 Per Cent. Lower During Sale.

All wool Country Flannel, suitable for petticoats and mill shirts at a big saving during our price reduction sale. Note these reductions:

30c Wool Flannel, sale price ..23c
35c Wool Flannel, sale price ..36c
40c Wool Flannel, sale price ..40c

TWO BIG NOTION SPECIALS.

Crepe Paper 3c

Full roll Crepe Paper, all colors, sale price 3c

COLGATE'S 25c POWDER 15c

Colgate's 25c Cashmere Bouquet Talcum, this sale 15c

POLITICAL POT STIRS.

Independents Are Out for Borough Offices Over in Scottdale

IN THE FIRST AND THIRD WARDS

Investigation Into Actions of a Member of the Fire Department Exonerates Him—Personal Mention of the Steel Town.

SCOTTDALE Feb. 13.—The rumors of political war that have been floating around town for several days are no longer rumors. War has actually been declared. The official announcement has gone forth and the instruments of carnage are being furbished up and there will be big doings in the First and Third wards from now on until 7 o'clock on the evening of February 18. In the First ward Walter G. Cope is officially announced as an independent on the Republican ticket. He will contest with J. Freemont Berry for the Republican votes, while John A. Grumbly, the Democrat, is donning his war paint and will go after an election to Council in the hope that the split in the Republican ranks will let him in. It is in the "Bloody Third" that the real war will be waged. J. W. Fitzsimmons defeated J. G. Tedrow at the primary for a place on the Republican ticket for Council. Walter L. Schaffer has officially announced as a Citizens candidate for the same office and is credited with being in opposition to Fitzsimmons and that he will be backed by the adherents of Tedrow. A. J. Gover is the regular Democratic nominee. That is the lineup now before the people of the town, and there will be some great fighting between the followers of Schaffer and Fitzsimmons. The adherents of the Citizens' candidate insist that the ward wants the best men for representatives in Council and that their man is the one. The standpatters are saying all sorts of warm things about the fellows who will not abide by the results of the primary. In the eyes of most people it is looked upon as a fight for and against the present Council. Schaffer is backed by some men who know the game from the first move.

The spirit of fight is said to have struck the regular candidates for the School Board in the Third ward and that J. T. Bradley, the Democrat, is promising R. P. Percy, the Republican, a big run for his money. Just keep your eye on the Third.

A communication was made public yesterday by the fire company in regard to certain charges that had been made against a member of the company at the time of the fire in the Landenberger house several weeks ago. Immediately following that fire a letter was received by the company stating that a member had been seen taking some silverware from the side of the building occupied by Mr. McMahan. The letter was not signed, but remarks were heard on the street along the same line, and an investigating committee was appointed to look after the matter. This committee has spent several weeks on a quiet investigation, and the only real testimony that could be secured was that some woman had seen the accused pick up some silverware from the floor, wipe it off with his coat sleeve and place it on the table. There was testimony secured to show that the silverware had been seen on a table in a dwelling several days after the fire. The committee finally decided to make a statement of the facts discovered so that the members of the company might be set right before the public. The report of the committee scores the individual who would write anonymous letters and would make an effort to discredit a fireman without cause.

M. Maghri of East Scottdale has been soliciting funds for the Darr Mine Relief Committee and forwarded $33.50 yesterday to the Treasurer in Pittsburg. A number of men who were loafing in the office of the Byrne real estate office a few evenings ago made up a purse of $16, which was forwarded.

Dr. A. J. Rogers was the only man in town yesterday who remembered Lincoln's birthday by a display of flags.

The Scottdale Foundry & Machine Company is now exhibiting at the plant here a coke making machine that is something new in the line of mechanical coke equipment. It is really three machines in one, as the machine will draw coke, water and level the oven. The machine is made to be used in the modified Belgian type of oven and will push the coke out of an oven in about half a minute, the coke to fall over a screen into the car. There is a long arm to which a sprinkler is attached for the watering of the oven. This is moved back and forth through the oven, watering the coke all over. A heavy ram pushes the coke out and as soon as the green coal is put in, a scraper is moved spreading the coal evenly to all parts and has the oven leveled in about a minute. Demonstrations of the machine have just been started at the works of the company.

Dr. E. P. Weddell officially announces his candidacy for nomination as a member of the legislature on the Republican ticket. Dr. Weddell was a member at the last session and was a very faithful and active one. He did not miss a roll call and was on several very important committees. He was chairman of the committee of iron and coal, secretary of the committee of public health and sanitation. He has been a resident of Scottdale for many years and has a host of friends over the county.

The W. C. T. U. announced a Frances E. Willard memorial service for Sunday afternoon in the Baptist church.

The Anti-Saloon League is getting busy and will hold four union meetings on the evening of the last Sunday in February. The object of the meeting is to create interest in the project of local option.

Jerry Mason of Everson was arrested yesterday on a warrant issued from the office of Justice Brownfield and gave bail in the sum of $400 for court on a charge of receiving money under false pretense. The charge was made by Mrs. Estella Copely of South Broadway. It seems that Mason sold a cow to Mrs. Copely last fall for $35, he guaranteeing that the cow would be fresh in November. The cow failed to come up to the specifications and during the latter part of January Mrs. Copely demanded her money back and pay for the feed and the trouble of keeping the cow. She accuses Mason of having the cow killed, but failing to give her any of the money either as a return of the original investment or for the feed. A warrant was then issued for him.

SCHOOL REPORT.

For the Fifth Month of the Term in Scottdale Given Out Yesterday.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Feb. 13.—Following is the report of the Scottdale public schools for the fifth month of the term:

Enrollment for month, boys 158, girls 736, total 894. Enrollment for term, boys 178, girls 590, total 1068. Average attendance for month, boys 395, girls 487, total 880. Average for term, boys 398, girls 501, total 899. Percentage for month, boys 90, girls 88, total 88. Percentage for term, boys 92, girl 90, total 91.

TO CHANGE MINING LAWS.

State Commission Reports Slow Progress at Recess Session.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 13.—(Special.)—The State Commission appointed by Governor Stuart to revise the Pennsylvania mining laws, is in session at the Fort Pitt Hotel. While admitting that change in the laws would be recommended State Mine Inspector James E. Roderick, Chairman, announced that none of the recommendations for changes would be made public until submitted to the Governor.

"We do not know when we will get through," Mr. Roderick said, "for from present conditions and the slow progress made it looks as if we would be a year in arriving at any definite agreement as to the necessary changes. We have until January, 1909, to submit our report and it may require all of that time to decide on what changes in the existing laws will be recommended."

The other members of the Commission are: G. W. Schlenderberg, General Manager of the Pittsburg Coal Company; William Dunn, President of Sub-District No. 2, R. W. Shillingford, Manager of the Clearfield Coal Company, and Francis Feehan, President of District No. 5, United Mine Workers.

EVERSON SCHOOLS

Did Good Work During Fifth Month of the Term.

EVERSON, Feb. 13.—Following is the report of the borough schools for the fifth month: Room No. 1, Miss Rosalie Stebutzel, teacher. Number enrolled 17, average attendance, 16, percentage of attendance, 94. Room No. 2, Miss Margaret Murray, teacher. Enrolled, 31, average attendance, 25, percentage of attendance, 92. Room No. 3, Miss Nell Beltz, teacher. Enrolled 29; average attendance, 25; percentage, 88. Room No. 4, William McLaughlin, teacher. Enrolled, 21; average, 19, percentage 91.

Classified Ads

In The Courier bring results. Only one cent a word. Try 'em.

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK.

100 Pairs of Ladies' $3.00 Shoes Will Be Sold This Week

$1.25 a pair.

Every pair is made of the very best of Soft Vici Kid leather, stock Tip or Pat. Tip. All lace. All sizes but narrow widths. Every lady that can be fitted from this lot of shoes will have the best pair of shoes they ever wore. We have them in A, B and C widths. 100 pairs in this lot, and they will only cost—This Week

$1.25 a pair

Our Men's $3.50 at $2.65, and $3.00 at $2.35 will last till TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 11, 1908.

C. W. DOWNS & CO.,

SPECIAL BARGAINS!

THE PRICES SPEAK! READ THEM!

Four Special by 2 feet Brussel Draperies best $ wire Brussels worth $17.50. Our Special prices $11.48

Five Special 9x12 Brussel Draperies best $ wire Brussels worth $20. Our special price $12.48

We are continuing the sale of our Boys Calicos in blues, blacks and grays. At per yard 6c

Lancaster Ginghams, in all the standard checks. At per yard 7c

Wall Paper, neat and attractive patterns. At per bolt 2½ and 3½c

A new line of Ruffled Muslin Curtains. At per pair 35c and 39c

Men's Arctic Over Shoes, pair 90c

Ladies Rubbers, round or low cut 39c

Ask to see our Shoes for Boys, Girls or Women for, pair 99c

FULL LINE OF COMIC & FANCY VALENTINES AT LOWEST PRICES

SCHMITZ'
New York Racket Store.

SOISSON THEATRE
MATINEE AND NIGHT.

SATURDAY February 15th

MARK SWAN
Presents
EVA TANGUAY'S GREAT SUCCESS

A Good Fellow

WITH
Miss Alice Williams
And a Strong Supporting Company.

PRICES:
Matinee, 10 and 25 cents
Night, 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents.

SOISSON THEATRE
MATINEE AND NIGHT

Monday, Feb. 17th
Evening, 8.30; matinee, 3.30 P. M.

THE GREAT SUCCESS
UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

Written by Lottie Blair Parker, Author of "'Way Down East."
A PLAY THAT WILL LIVE FOREVER.

The most original, unhackneyed and diverting play of Southern life ever written.

27—REMARKABLE CAST—27

Massive production complete in every detail.

OVER TWO MILLION PEOPLE HAVE SEEN THIS PLAY.

Prices, matinee, 10, 25 and 50 cents. Night, 25, 35, 50, 75 and $1.00.
Seat sale at box office of theatre.
Both Phones.

Say!

We can furnish you with Glasses, Truss, Abdomnial Belt or any Mechanical or Surgical appliance and save you money on it.

Graham & Co.
DRUGGISTS,
Cor. Pittsburg and Apple Sts.,
CONNELLSVILLE, PA.
Successors to Markoll's Pharmacy

Arcade Theatre

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 10th.

The best show that ever came to Connellsville, and the price is only..... 5c

PROGRAM:

BIGHAM,
The Ventriloquist,
WITH HIS WONDERFUL MECHANICAL FIGURES

THE 3 AUBURNS
Character Changes, Songs and Dances.

BELLA VERNON,
The Only Lady Facial Artist in the World.

KITTY BIGHAM,
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MT. PLEASANT, Feb. 12.—The capacity of the new State Armory at this place was taxed on Wednesday evening when the Leechburg five met the local Independents in what proved to be the best game of the season in this section of the State. The Leechburg Champions, after holding the South Side to a 42 to 38 score, came to Mt. Pleasant expecting to walk away with an easy victory but they certainly met a snag. At no time was either team more than four points in the lead, and every goal shot by either team was followed by cheer after cheer.

Graul proved himself the particular star of the evening by his shooting and exceptionally fine floor work. Too much cannot be said of the playing of any of the members of the locals, each one of them being in the best of form. Elliott and McLafferty played a good game for the Leechburg boys. The game was well played and exceptionally clean, nothing happening to mar it, with the exception of a dispute which was caused by time being called up about six minutes too soon at the end of the last half. Following is the line-up of both teams:

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Hood ..... Forward ..... Flint	
Pinault ..... Forward ..... Perrington	
Graul ..... Center ..... Elliott	
Nelson ..... Guard ..... McClafferty	
Hatfield ..... Guard ..... Candy	

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BOOST FOR BUSY IZZY.

Pittsburg Critic Says Show That Comes to the Soisson is a Winner.

Bragg, critic of the Pittsburg Gazette-Times, and a severe one, too, gives "Busy Izzy's Boodle," appearing this week at the Alvin, Pittsburg, a boost. He says:

"It is so uncommon in theatreloids these days to see a musical show so uniformly good in every particular, that an individual loses his or her personality, a play in which the so-called star, or featured person, is submerged by the concrete, for the betterment of the play, that it deserves especial mention. Such a play, however, is George Sidney's new production, "Busy Izzy's Boodle," which opened a week's engagement Monday at the Alvin Theatre. Sidney makes annual pilgrimages to the city, and generally rides throughout the week at the Alvin in good vehicles. His piece this week is a gilded chariot compared to those in the past, and is easily, in the opinion of the critic, the best thing he has ever had. Opinions vary as to Sidney's individual work, but he always has a good company, and this season he has a gem. To appeal to the class of theatre goers to which he plays some horse play must be injected to stimulate the gallery.

"If this were eliminated from the production it would solve anywhere. Even if Sidney is the star on the program, from the front of the house Carlo Weber shone in the firmament of luminaries, if there were any others out Monday night. Her impersonation of an Italian organ grinder was a most legitimate piece of work. She can also sing, a rarity these days. If she ever forsakes musical comedy she can find a good place in drama. Others deserving mention are Fred Law, Victor Casmore, Frank Gibbons, Tessie Mantell, Mabel Melville, the latter being beautiful and having a good voice but little stage presence. The chorus should be especially mentioned. In all around excellency it is the best seen at this house during the present year. The music is good, setting are appropriate, book is foolish and costumes beautiful. Jack Mason, who staged the piece, has again shown his handiwork in excellent manner. 'Busy Izzy's Boodle' will drive away dull care."

A Good Fellow a Good Thing.

The Hanover Herald of February 1 speaks in the following complimentary terms of the musical comedy, "A Good Fellow," which will appear at the Soisson Theatre Saturday, matinee and night, February 15:

"If our theatre goers had been aware just what kind of "A Good Fellow" was to be presented at the Opera House last night, more of them would have been there to join in the merriment. The play was a bright and witty farce comedy, with an entanglement of situations which were unraveled only at the final fall of the curtain.

"The piece is from the pen of Mark E. Swan and is one of his best introducing Miss Alice Williams, a clever comedienne who found immediate favor with the audience, and was the bright particular star of the production. The entire company was strong in support and their efforts deserved a crowded house, which will be forthcoming if "A Good Fellow" comes this way again."

The Fighting Chance.

By ROBERT W. CHAMBERS.

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"Schoolboy courtship!" she mocked him, lingering as he made his slow way through the crowded place. "Mr. Plank," as they arrived and seated themselves, "Mr. Sliward has just admitted that he uses crutches only because they are ornamental. Leila, isn't this air delicious? All sorts of people, too, aren't there, Mr. Plank? Such curious looking women, some of them—quite pretty, too, in a certain way. Are you hungry, Sl—Mr. Sliward?"

"Are you, Sl—Mr. Sliward?" mimicked Leila promptly.

"I am," said Sliward, laughing at Sylvia's significant color and noting Plank's direct gaze as the waiter filled Leila's slender stemmed glass. And "nothing but apollinaris," he said coolly as the waiter approached him. But, though his voice was easy enough, a dull patch of color came out under the cheek bones.

"That is all I care for, either," said Sylvia, with elaborate carelessness.

Plank and Leila immediately began to make conversation. Sliward, his eyes bent on the glass of mineral water at his elbow, looked up in silence at Sylvia questioningly.

There was something in her face he did not quite comprehend. She made as though to speak, looked at him, hesitated, her lovely face eloquent under the impulse. Then, leaning toward him, she said:

"'And thy ways shall be my ways!'"

"Sylvia, you must not deny yourself just because I—"

"Let me. It is the happiest thing I have ever done for myself."

"But I don't wish it."

"Ah, but I do!" she said, the low, excited laughter scarcely fluttering her lips. "Listen, I never before in all my life gave up anything for your sake, only this one little pitiful thing."

"I won't let you!" he breathed. "It is nonsense to"—

"You must let me! Am I to be on friendly terms with—with your mortal enemy?" She was still smiling, but now her sensitive mouth quivered suddenly.

He sat silent, considering her, his restless fingers playing with his glass in which the harmless bubbles were breaking.

"I drink to your health, Stephen," she said under her breath. "I drink to your happiness, too, and—and to your fortune and to all that you desire from fortune." And she raised her glass in the starlight, looking over it into his eyes.

"I drink to your health, Stephen"

"All—almost all"—

"No, all," he demanded.

But she only raised the glass to her lips, still looking at him as she drank.

They became unreasonably gay almost immediately, though the beverage scarcely accounted for the delicate intoxication that seemed to creep into their veins. Leila exchanged glance after glance with Plank. Sliward, alternately the leader in it all, then the enchanted listener, bewitched, enthralled, felt care slipping from his shoulders like a mantle and sadness exhaling from a heart that was beating strongly, steadily, fearlessly—as a heart should beat in the breast of him who has taken at last his fighting chance. He took it now under her eyes for honor, for manhood and for the ideal which had made manhood no longer an empty term muttered in desperation by a sick body and a mind too sick to control it.

Yes, at last the lifelong battle was on. He knew it. He knew, too, whatever his fate with her or without her he must always go on with the battle for the safeguarding of that manhood, the consciousness of which she had aroused.

All he knew was that, through the medium of his love for her, whatever in him of the spiritual remained or had been generated, was now awake, alive, strong, vital, indestructible—an implacable current flowing from a sane intelligence, through medium of her, back to the eternal truth, returning always, always, to the deathless source from whence it came.

Lingering over the fruit, the champagne breaking in the glasses standing on the table between them, rise to rise, Leila and Plank had fallen into a low, desultory, yet guarded exchange of words and silences.

Sylvia sprang up and pushed her chair into the farther corner against the balcony rail, where no light fell except the radiance of the stars. Here Sliward joined her, dragging his chair around so that it used her as she leaned back, tilted against a shadowy column.

In the darkness his hand encountered hers on the wooden rail, and the tremor of the contact silenced her. She freed one finger then let it rest with its slender yellow prisoners. There was no use in trying to speak just then—utterly useless her voice in the soft, rounded throat imprisoned by the swelling pulses that tightened and hammered and tightened.

Years seemed to fall away from her, slipping back, back into girlhood, into childhood, drawing not her alone on the gliding tide, but carrying him with her. An exquisite languor held her. Drifting deliciously, her eyes sometimes meeting his, sometimes lost in the mazes of her reverie, she lay there in her chair, her unresisting fingers locked in his.

Odd little thoughts came hovering into her reverie—thought that seemed distantly familiar, the direct, unconscious impulses of a child. To feel was once more the only motive for expression; to think fearlessly was once more inherent; to desire was to demand—unlock her lips, naively, and ask for what she wished.

Under the spell she turned her blue gaze on him, and her lips parted without a tremor.

"What do you offer—or what you ask? And do you still ask it? Is it me you are asking me for? Because you love me? And what do you give—love?"

"Weigh it with the—other," he said.

"I have—often—every moment since I have known you. And what a winter!" Her voice was almost inaudible. "What a winter without you!"

"That hell is ended for me too, Sylvia, I know what I ask. And I ask. I know what I offer. Will you take it?"

"Yes," she said.

He rose, blindly. She stood up, pale, wide eyed, confronting him, stammering out the bargain:

"I take all—all, every virtue, every vice of you. I give all—all, all I have been, all I am, all I shall be! Is that enough? Oh, if there were only more to give! Stephen, if there were only more!"

Her hands had fallen into his, and they looked each of her in the eyes.

Suddenly through the hush of the enchanted moment a alien sound broke, the sound of a voice they knew, threateningly raised, louder and louder, growling, profanely cursing.

Aghast, they turned in the darkness, peering toward the lighted space beyond. Leroy Mortimer, his face shockingly congested, stood unsteadily balancing there, confronting his wife, who sat staring at him in horror. At the same instant Plank rose and laid a hand on Mortimer's shoulder, but Mortimer shook him off with a warning oath.

"You and I will settle with each other tomorrow!" he said thickly, pointing a puffy finger at Plank. "You'll find me at the Algonquin Trust. Do you hear? That's where you'll settle this matter—in the president's office!" He stood swaying and leering at Plank, repeating loudly: "In Quarrier's office! Understand? That's where you'll settle up! See!"

Leila, white face quivering, shrank as though he had struck her, and he turned on her again, grinning. "As for you, you come home! And that'll be about all for yours."

"Are you insane to make a scene like this?" said Plank.

But Mortimer swung on him insultingly and said: "That's all out all from you! Leila, are you coming?"

He stepped heavily toward her, but Plank's sudden crushing grip was on his fat arm above the elbow, and he emitted a roar of surprise and pain.

"Don't touch him! Don't, in heaven's name!" stammered Leila as Plank, releasing him, stepped back beside her chair. "Can't you see that I must go with him? I—I must go!" She cast one terrified glance around her, where scores of strange faces met hers, and at every table people were handing up to see better.

Plank, who had dropped Mortimer's arm as the latter emitted his bellow of amazement, stepped toward him again, dropping his voice as he spoke.

"You go! Do you hear?" he said quietly. "I'll do what you ask me tomorrow. I will do what you ask if you'll go now."

"You come! Do you hear?" snarled Mortimer, turning on his wife, who had already risen. "If you don't I'll make a row here that you'll never hear the end of as long as you live. And there'll be nothing to take over in Quarrier's office if I do."

Leila looked at Plank, rose and moved swiftly toward the veranda steps, her head resolutely lowered the burning shame flaming in her face. Mortimer cast one triumphant glance at Plank, then waddled unsteadily after his wife.

"Hold on," he growled; "I've a car here! I'll drive you back—wait! Here it is! Here we are!" And to Quarrier's machinist he said: "You get into the tonneau. I want to show Mrs. Mortimer what night driving is. Do you hear? I tell you I'm going to drive this machine and—how you bow!"

Leila scarcely heard him. She obeyed the impulse of his hand on her arm and mounted to the seat, staring straight ahead of her with fixed and straining eyes that saw nothing.

Then Mortimer clambered to his seat and without an instant's warning opened up and seized the wheel.

Unprepared, the machinist attempted to swing aboard, missed his footing in the uncertain light and fell sprawling on the gravel. Plank saw him from the veranda and instantly vaulted the rail to the lawn below.

"You d—n fool!" yelled Mortimer, looking around. "What do you think you'll do?" And he clapped on full speed as Plank made a leap for the car and missed.

Mortimer laughed and turned his head to look back, and the next instant something seemed to wrench the steering wheel from its roots. There was a blinding glare of light, a scream, and the great machine bounded into the air full length, turned completely over and lay across a flower bed, partly on one side.

Something was alive too. Men were pouring from the verandas, women screamed and stood up wringing their hands. A mounted policeman came galloping through the darkness. People shouted: "Throw sand on it! Get shovels, for God's sake! Lift that tonneau. There's a woman under it!"

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LENTEN REGULATIONS

Begin on Ash Wednesday, March 4th This Year.

THE RULES THAT ARE LAID DOWN

For Observance by Catholics of the Pittsburg Diocese — Praiseworthy Custom of Abstaining from Intoxicating Liquors.

Bishop Canevin has completed plans for the observance of Lent in the Pittsburg diocese of the Catholic church. The regulations for this season, which begins on Ash Wednesday, March 4, and which will shortly be officially announced, will provide that all the faithful who have completed their 21st year, unless legitimately dispensed, are bound to observe the fast of Lent. They are to make only one full meal a day. The meal allowed on fast days is not to be taken until about noon. A small refreshment, commonly called collation, is allowed in the evening. No general rule as to the quantity of food permitted at this time is or can be made, but the practise of the most regular Christians is never to let it exceed the fourth part of an ordinary meal

By virtue of an indult of the Holy See, the following concessions in Lent have been granted temporarily: In the morning a piece of bread, not exceeding two ounces, with a drink of coffee, tea or chocolate, or any similar beverage can be taken. When the principal meal cannot be taken about noon, it is lawful to invert the order by taking the collation in the morning and dinner in the evening.

The praiseworthy custom of abstaining from intoxicating drink in honor of the Sacred Thirst of Our Lord, so warmly recommended by the late sovereign pontiff, is suggested to the piety of the faithful of the diocese as a means of penance and merit during Lent.

The time for making the Easter communion will date from the first Sunday in Lent until the Sunday within the Octave of Ascension inclusive By virtue of an indult of the Holy See, working people are permitted, for a term of years, the use of flesh meat on all days of fast and abstinence throughout the year except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, the Wednesday and Saturday of Holy Week, and the Vigil of Christmas. However, it is forbidden to use flesh meat and fish at the same meal.

DESERTION CHARGED

Against Brownsville Man Who Was Arrested in Indiana.

BROWNSVILLE, Feb. 13.—James F. Collier, well known at Brownsville as a plumber, and who married a well known Brownsville girl, was arrested at South Bend, Ind., yesterday, charged with desertion and non-support Collier will be brought to Fayette county for trial.

Collier is said to have deserted his young Brownsville wife, Mrs. Ellen F. Collier, about the latter part of December. She made information against him, charging desertion and non-support on December 28, and the case was turned over to County Detective McBeth Milton Morris also became interested.

Each sent word to South Bend Ind., to arrest Collier, who, they claimed, had gone there with a young girl who formerly lived in Monessen. The Chief of Police of South Bend arrested Collier but released the girl.

WELCOME TO TAFT.

Guest Today of Michigan Lumbermen's Association at Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Detroit gave a rousing welcome to Secretary Taft today He was escorted to this city from Grand Rapids by a committee of Detroit business men and Republican leaders. The principal event of the day's program was a luncheon given in his honor early this afternoon by the Michigan Lumber Dealers' Association whose annual convention is in progress here

Former Senator Thomas W Palmer acted as toastmaster, and among the speakers were Governor Warner and Mayor Thompson, The luncheon was preceded by a public reception at the Hotel Pouchartrain.

MAY REDUCE RATES

At Meeting of Southern Railroads at Nashville Today.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb 13.—(Special.)—The Presidents of the three leading railroads operating in Tennessee, the Louisville & Nashville the Nashville, Chattanooga & St Louis and the Illinois Central, have been summoned to appear here before the Tennessee Railroad Commission tomorrow to discuss the question of reducing the railroad passenger fares in this State.

It is expected that the railroads will decline to voluntarily reduce their passenger rates, and, if the Commission persists in its determination, the matter will be taken into the courts

Alabama Horticulturists.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Birmingham is entertaining the Alabama State Horticultural Society, which began its annual convention here today with a good attendance of members.

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Nothing reserved, everything will be placed on sale. | **Values at the Mercy of the Public.** Sale Starts Friday, Feb. 14, at 9 A. M. | **Stock must be turned into cash. There is 8 days only.**

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OUR GUARANTEE. We assure each and every purchaser absolute satisfaction. We guarantee every garment, every piece of goods and every statement here n made, and will take back, exchange or refund your money for any purchase unsatisfactory during this sale.

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Men's Suits.

Men's fine Suits, mixtures and blacks, worth $17.50 and $18.50, at $3.78
Men's all wool Suits, worth $9, $10.50 and $12.50 at $4.85
Men's fine Dress Suits worth $13.50, $15 and $16.50 at $6.40
Men's strictly all wool Fine Dress Suits, worth $18.50 $20 and $22.50, at $9.60

Men's Overcoats

Men's Overcoats in black and blue, all lengths, worth $7.50 and $9.00, at $3.78
Men's Overcoats, fine quality, worth $9.50, $10 and $12.50, at $4.87
Men's Overcoats, the latest style, worth $12.50, $15 and $16.50, at $6.45
Men's Overcoats, the latest style and lengths, worth $17.50 $20 and and $22.50, at $8.70

Boys' Suits.

Boys' fine Two Piece Suits, worth $2 and $2.50 at 98c
Boys' fine all wool Suits, worth $3.50 and $4.50, at $1.58
Boys' Suits, sizes 3 to 17 years, worth $3 and $3.50 at $2.40
Boys' Suits, sizes 3 to 17 years, worth $6.50 and $7 at $3.38

Men's and Boys' Shoes

Men's and Boys' Stetson Men's Shoes, all leathers, sizes and styles at $2.95
Men's Shoes, all patent coltskin or gun metal, worth $4 ..... $2.45
Men's gun metal calf and gun metal Shoes, worth $2.75 $3 and $3.25 at $1.95
Men's Good Street and Work Shoes worth $1.50, at 98c
Boys' fine Dress or School Shoes worth $2 and $2.50 at $1.53
Boys' extra fine Dress Shoes, worth $3 and $4.50, at $1.98

Ladies' and Misses' Shoes

Serviceable Shoes in all leathers and styles, at $1.95
Ladies' Shoes suitable for street wear, worth $3 ..... $1.69
Misses' fine school Shoes worth $1.75 and $2 at $1.22
Misses' Fine Dress Shoes, worth $2.25 and $2.50 ..... $1.45

Boys' Overcoats

Boys' Overcoats, sizes 3 to 10 year, worth $2 and $2.50 at 98c
Boys' fine Overcoats all sizes, worth $4.50 and $4.50, at $1.78
Boys' Overcoats, all sizes and colors, worth $6, $8.50 and $7.50, at $2.85

Ladies' Coats.

Ladies' Covert Cloth Coats, size 34, worth $7 to $12 ..... $1.00
Ladies' Capes, in kersey, broadcloth and velour, worth $5 to $8 at $1.00
Ladies' Long Coats all colors and sizes, worth $12 to $20, at $4.95
Ladies' Long Coats all colors and sizes, worth $6.50 to $10, at $1.95
Children' Coats, made of beaver satin and astrakhan, all colors, ages 2 to 6 years, at $1.00
Girls Coats in astrakhan Scotch plaids and fancy mixtures, worth $5 to $8, at $2.00
Ladies Raincoats in all colors no black, worth $12.50 to $18.50, at $4.95
Ladies Raincoats, in gray only, worth $6.50 to $10, at $1.95
Black Sateen Petticoats, worth $1.50 and $2 at 88c
Black Sateen Waists, all sizes, worth $1.50 and $2, at 86c
Fur Neck Pieces worth $1.50 and $2.00 at 78c

Remnants.

Remnants of Dress Goods, Silk Ginghams Outing Flannel Night Robes, Percales and Calicoes

Dry Goods.

Cotton Challie for ladies' and children's dresses, worth 15c 9c
Flannelette of the best quality, worth 10c 6c
Outing Flannel, in fancy colors, worth 12c 9c
Calicoes in large and small designs worth 8c, ... 5c
Unbleached Muslin, full 36 inch wide, worth 9c, only 6c
9-4 Bleached Sheeting, worth 38c, only 28c
8-4 Unbleached Sheeting, worth 32c, only 26c
Ladies Wrappers, all sizes, worth $1.50, only 88c
Dress Ginghams, worth 15c, only 9c
Apron Ginghams worth 12½c, only 7c
Unbleached Muslin, worth 12c, only 7½c
Bleached Muslin, worth 12c, only 7½c
Bleached Muslin, worth 15c only 10½c
Ladies' Fleece Lined Underwear, all sizes, worth 25c 16c
Ladies' Fleece Lined Underwear, all sizes, worth 50c 32c
Ladies' Cashmere Hose, worth 35c, only 18c
Ladies' Cotton Fleece Lined Hose, worth 18c, only 12c

Men's Furnishings.

Men's fleece lined and ribbed Underwear, worth 50c, ... 33c
Boys' Outing Flannel Night Shirts, worth 50c 29c
Boys' Dress Shirts, worth 50c, for 19c
Boys' and Children's Winter Caps, worth 50c 12c
Boys' and Girls' Fleur Skin Tams-o-Shanters, worth $1.50, at 53c
Men's White Shirts Monarch brand, sizes 14, 16, 16½ and 17, worth $1, at 68c
Men's and Boys' Blue Flannel Shirts, worth $1, ... 69c
Men's all wool Underwear, worth $1, ... 67c
Men's all wool Underwear, worth $2.25 ..... $1.48
Men's all wool Blue Flannel Shirts, worth $2.25 ..... $1.39
Boys' all wool Sweaters worth $1.25 ..... 66c
Men's all wool Sweaters, worth $3.50 ..... $1.70
Men's all wool Union Suits, worth $3, ... $1.96
Men's Outing Flannel Night Shirts, worth $1.50 ..... 72c
Men's Dress and Negligee Shirts worth $1.50 and $2, at 95c
Children's Fleece Lined Hose worth 35c 12c
Children's Suspenders, black only, worth 15c 9c

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KNOX ON WATERWAYS.

Pennsylvanian Says Nearly Billion Dollars Should be Spent on Rivers.

WORK SHOULD BEGIN AT ONCE

Pennsylvania's "Favorite Son," in Address at Lincoln Birthday Banquet, Shows How Country Benefits by Such Improvements—Convincing Figures

Pittsburg Feb 12—United States Senator Philander C Knox was the principal speaker last night at the Chamber of Commerce banquet in honor of Abraham Lincoln's birthday Congressman James P Burke was toastmaster Other speakers were Senator Thomas H Carter of Montana Senator J P Dolliver of Iowa and Congressman J Sloat Fassett of New York

SENATOR P C KNOX

Senator Knox devoted his speech to an exposition of the need of river and harbor improvement on a systematic basis Referring to the Panama canal and the benefits to be derived from it he said

"We are expending a vast sum of money to dig the Panama canal to a depth of thirty-five feet That depth is fixed by the well established fact that the cheapest ocean transportation is in the great vessels of about that draft In order that the canal may give the commerce between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans its full development this depth is admittedly necessary But at the same time only two or three ports of the United States have a depth of water equal to that fixed for the isthmian canal and applications of cities to have their harbor channels deepened to that standard are met with procrastination if not refusal If this is not amended congress will stand self convicted of spending the nation's money in digging a canal and confining its fullest benefits to the commerce of other nations or at best giving to the United States the privilege of using the full depth only through a few ports already notoriously congested Will this nation fix upon itself the amazing incongruity of spending a certain $300 000,000 and a possible $500 000 000 in digging the Panama canal and denying to the seacoast harbors of the United States two or three score millions to enable them to enjoy the full benefit of the canal?

A Local Comparison

The feature of the senator's remarks was a comparison of development along the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers as the result of river improvement In this connection he said

"At Pittsburg as all know two streams the Allegheny and Monongahela unite to form the Ohio While these streams and their littorals have many points of distinction they stood in their original form very nearly on a parity The Allegheny drains a wider and larger basin Its low water flow has been demonstrated by engineering tests to be three times that of the Monongahela The coal resources of the Monongahela basin are more readily developed and superior in extent and quality but the coal beds of the Allegheny basin are also large while its resources of agriculture petroleum and lumber are the greater The vital difference between them is that the Monongahela was improved by locks and dams a generation ago while the improvement of the Allegheny is confined to two dams completed within the present decade and carrying reliable navigation about twenty miles up the stream

The Monongahela river valley had received no slight impetus from its improved navigation prior to 1870 but the most notable industrial growth is recorded in the statistical comparison between that year and 1900

Effect of Canalization

Carrying out his comparison the speaker showed that in the thirty years from 1871 to 1890 the population of ten cities and towns on the Monongahela river had increased from 16 896 to 36 422 as a direct result of the canalization of that stream while in the same period the population of fifteen boroughs along the Allegheny river had increased only from 19 821 to 60 885 Continuing he said

So far as this comparison goes it shows the Allegheny river towns to have had a rate of growth 20 per cent larger than the population in 1870 but the Monongahela river towns were nearly 40 per cent larger in 1900 But this is incomplete Between 1870 and 1900 manufacturing towns having no previous existence were built on both rivers showing the following population in 1900

Monongahela river cities and towns 1900—Ranlin 3 775 Duquesne 9 974 Homestead 12 554 Monessen 2 197 Charleroi 5 970 total 27 502

"Allegheny river cities and towns 1900— New Kensington 11 606 Creighton and Natrona 6 120 Arnold 1 128 total 18 854

Further than this the towns of Midland Donora and Glassport have grown up on the Monongahela since 1900 and have no standing in that census though they will undoubtedly add from 20 000 to 30 000 to the total of the next census There is no corresponding increase to this on the Allegheny river though the extension of the canalization of that stream produces indications of such a growth in the next decade

A Striking Contrast

In this example it is a striking fact that at the beginning of the period the unimproved river towns had the larger population but at the end the improved river towns are 50 per cent the larger The growth of the Monongahela river towns has been six fold that of the Allegheny river towns slightly less than tenfold This is the result so far as recorded in the census but well known growth since then would increase the contrast

As the returns from the lake improvement and the Monongahela and Kanawha canalizations show that the government need not fear a reduction of the funding of its part of the cost they also demonstrate that there is no excuse for hesitation in prosecuting the extension of navigation to other waterways capable of equal or greater development The Mississippi Missouri and Ohio rivers promise no less than the lakes did The difference in their transportation efficiency between the present over rectifying suspensions of navigation and a reliable continuous nine feet of depth is greater than the difference between the former twelve to fifteen feet of depth of lake transportation and its improved eighteen to twenty one feet The natural resources of that great basin will surely bear comparison with those of the lakes Can anyone who digests the results of the work already done doubt that the proper improvement of such streams would repay the government by enough increased revenue before the child born at the completion would reach middle age Consider that a $68 000 000 debt reported by the United States engineers as the cost of improving the Ohio would feed its interest and extinguish within an ordinary life requires a fixed honor of $ 150 000 per year and that the increase of population necessary to yield that miserable national revenue is only 1 000 I would not hesitate to guarantee a greater increase within the three counties of Pennsylvania bordering directly on the first thirty miles of the Ohio within twenty years from the completion of the work And what is true of the Ohio is true of the rivers and harbors throughout the country

Should Mortgage the Future

"The idea that such work must be halted on account of a temporary deficiency in receipts is a counsel of timid cowardice The business man of ability and capital does not on account of anticipated diminution of receipts proceed to starve and stunt his business He seeks rather the investment of more capital that will enlarge his facilities and increase his revenues Concede that a very few years work on this and the Panama project will reduce our overgrown treasury surplus to a margin beyond which it would be unwise to encroach When that point is reached what better purpose is there for an increase of public debt than the enterprises which will confer greater benefits on future generations than on this one and will repay their cost within a term of a bond issue?

"Engineering experts have estimated the cost of such a national system as is here outlined in the neighborhood of $ 500 000 000 and I understand that total is asked for the various parts which consolidated would form the comprehensive whole Suppose the amount increased for contingent expenses 50 per cent to $750 000 000 Interest and sinking fund charges of 4 per cent would make the annual cost $ 30 000 000 At the low estimate of $8 per capita contribution to the national revenues this would call for an increase of population by this vast expenditure of cheap transportation averaging 3 750 000 during the term of the debt In other words the gain of population and revenue needed to make the government revenues whole would very little exceed that directly traceable within the past thirty years to the improvement of the lakes and such partial work on the rivers as has attained full fruitage It would be gross pusillanimity to doubt that before the maturity of the debt was half reached the gain in population and revenue directly due to the work would many times exceed that requirement

Magnificent Possibilities

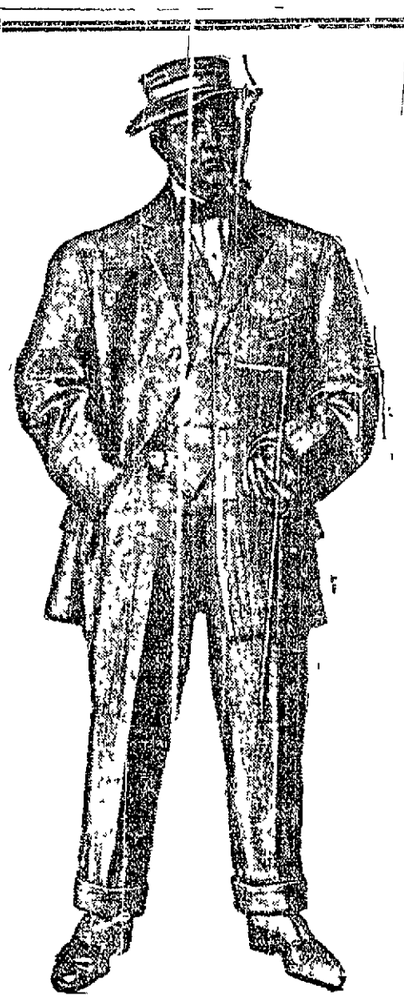
"In all the range of material benefits for this nation there are none of such magnificent possibilities more certainly attainable than this The conception of the fields of the northwest linked by a waterway with the coal of Pennsylvania the cotton fields of the gulf the ports of the Pacific and the cities of the coast the picture of great towns and fleets of steamers bearing grain coal iron cotton on the streams from the lakes to the gulf and from Nebraska to New York the full enjoyment of the Panama canal for the productive interests of the Mississippi basin and the Atlantic coast alike the agriculture of that vast region doubled in its production by the demands of intensive cultivation and the multiplication of new markets surpasses the ability of the human mind to grasp in its entirety But that it can be realized in fact is beyond dispute when we set about it with the full knowledge of its compelling importance and with the deep resolution to attain it by measures bold without rashness and earnest only to achieve the utmost national welfare"

Van Schaick's Sentence Affirmed

New York Feb 13—The conviction of William H Van Schaick captain of the excursion steamer General Slocum which was burned on June 15 1904 in East river with a loss of more than 1 000 lives was affirmed by the United States circuit court of appeals Captain Van Schaick was convicted of neglect of his duty as captain and was given a sentence of ten years in prison Captain Van Schaick is seventy years old He has been at liberty on bail and has been married since the conviction

Unknown Gave $1 000

Indianapolis Feb 13—A man who would not give his name called at the charity organization headquarters and donated $1 000 for the relief of the poor of the city



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THIS sale offers you clothing in double and single breasted models. Trousers cut full in conformity with fashions demand. Coats have hand moulded shoulders, close fitting collars, perfect draping garments. Exactly like the suit we picture in the upper left corner of this advertisment. Don't put off coming to this sale, for there are plenty of men just waiting for this sort of an announcement from us. We're going to have a crowd here Saturday. We're going to sell a lot of suits. This is positively the final price cut we will offer this season. We'll fill our windows with these suits so that you can easily see the style and fabrics, the quality and tailoring. A glance will tell you that this advertisement has underestimated rather than exaggerated their worth. You'll see clothing that forms a perfect bargain value---correct style--worthy fabrics, perfect tailoring and a phenominally lowered price.

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